

Mr. Willkie Reveals the Secret War Aim

AN EDITORIAL

MR. WILLKIE spilled the beans on the real, secret war aims of the Washington-London war alliance.

This secret aim is for a joint British-American war against the Soviet Union at the earliest possible date.

This is the message which Mr. Willkie, honored guest of Winston Churchill, brings back with him from his sojourn with British imperialism. In revealing it, he unwittingly makes public the real motive for the passage of the HR 1776 war-dictator bill.

Let Mr. Willkie reveal it in his own words.

Question by a Senate Committee member: "As to Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, all enslaved nations whose liberties have been taken away from them by Russia; do you think if Britain prevails in this war that their liberties can be restored?"

Mr. Willkie answers: "Britain may survive with our aid, but Britain can only prevail with our effective aid. And then what the United States says about those nations surviving—and I appreciate that I have no ability to speak for the United States, I can only put the question to you men, or to men like you who are in positions of authority. I believe American sentiment would require that they survive."

A moment prior to this remarkable "inside" admission, Mr. Willkie had stated that "the revival" of Finland was included in the program which was dependent upon the British "prevailing."

Thus the whole idea of "Britain prevailing" with American aid, and the so-called "revival of Finland" boils down to a scheme which includes the restoration of the Mannerheim Line at the throat of Leningrad.

This lifts the curtains of secrecy which Churchill and Roosevelt have jointly laid down over their war aims, and which no popular clamor has been able to get them to reveal.

IT IS in no sense whatever that the British-American alliance wages war to "defeat Hitlerism." It is rather to dominate its German imperialist rival, to bring it under control and make it the instrument of the anti-Soviet policy. It is to put into practice the central aim of the Washington-London policy—to place all of Europe under the domination of the Wall Street-London banks, to crush labor in Europe, and to dismember the Soviet Union.

This is the aim of the Churchill-Hallifax combination in England. It is the aim of the Roosevelt-Willkie-Bullitt combination which in this respect reveals its unanimity with the Hoover-Lindbergh-Hearst-Kennedy-Norman Thomas position. Wendell Willkie is speaking for the War Party. He voices the real aim of the American imperialist class as a whole. This is what he means when he calls for "national unity" of all capitalist groups.

It is significant that not a single voice was raised in the Senate Committee to challenge this platform which envisages military assault against the Soviet Union and the plundering of its territories. That is why no voice of the people is permitted to be heard in the House and Senate Committee to challenge this far-flung program of reactionary aggression and conquest.

THIS vision of rampant imperialism dominates the calculations of the Anglo-American war alliance. It is a vision which takes into its scope a world empire whose arch will spread from Latin America to the Far East to Asia and the Soviet Union. In this world empire, Mr. Willkie promised his fellow-imperialists of the Senate, "If America gives effective aid to Britain, America will dominate what happens afterwards."

It is now clear why neither the British and American governments ever gave heed to the Soviet Union's repeated efforts to protect peace collectively. Their policy was based from the very beginning on the opposite premise—to foment, organize, and launch war against the Soviet Union. The provocation and spread of war was the heart of their policy. It still remains so. It is the basis of their present sabotage of the Soviet Union's neutrality and its peace policy.

So flagrant is their policy that not even the narrow bourgeois circles of the United States Congress can be entrusted to carry it out decisively. That is why the HR 1776 Bill provides for the virtual liquidation of the U. S. Congress. This is exactly the way in which the French Republic was prepared for its downfall. For Roosevelt and Churchill secrecy is vital. Neither would dare to reveal to the people the anti-Soviet goal of their war conspiracy as Mr. Willkie has inadvertently revealed it.

THE execution of this policy has brought the peoples of Europe to disaster. Ruin and massacre everywhere have been its fruits. Mr. Willkie reveals that the Roosevelt Administration, backed by the most influential sections of American imperialism, is determined to drag the American people into the same course of disaster, madness, and destruction.

The anti-Soviet policy has been wrecked again and again whenever any imperialist group has tried to make it the mainspring of its foreign policy. The unreal craziness of this vision as it is now dreamed in London and Washington will also be demonstrated by events and by the American people who are supposed to pay its terrible price.

The reversal of this fantastic program of disaster must be the central aim of the American people at this hour. The "lease-lend" Bill is the chosen instrument for this war policy. To unmask and defeat it is the main duty of every American who desires the welfare of his country.

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UNITED LABOR FIGHTS BUDGET CUTS AT JOINT HEARINGS IN ALBANY

Capital Rent Gougers Prey Upon Workers

Negroes Hardest Hit as 'Defense' Job Seekers Stream into Washington; Report Shows Scandalous Conditions Prevail

By Adam Lapin
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—Large-scale rent profiteering in the nation's capital at the expense of thousands of workers who are streaming in here in search of "defense" jobs is rapidly becoming a major scandal.

The gravity of the situation was admitted by Howard Hunter, acting WPA Commissioner, in releasing a housing survey made by WPA for the Division of Defense Housing Coordination.

Hunter's statement said that incoming workers are faced with "a critical housing shortage" and "an exceptionally high scale of monthly rentals."

A serious housing situation has existed for some time in booming munitions centers such as Quincy, Mass.; Bridgeport, Conn.; and Columbus, Ohio, but it has not generally been realized that there is a housing crisis, accentuated by rent profiteering, in the capital itself.

Only 3,400 dwelling units or less than two percent of the total number of apartments and housing houses in the District of Columbia were vacant and for rent during January, according to the WPA survey.

More than half of the dwelling units commanded rents of \$50 a month and more, the housing study revealed.

Workers who can't afford exorbitant rents over \$50 thus seem to be in the position of being practically unable to find any kind of homes at all.

The extent of the shortage here can be seen by the fact that there has been a drop of more than 50 per cent in the number of available units since the census in April, 1940.

Negro families in the Jim Crow capital have been particularly hard hit by the housing shortage. In Negro neighborhoods only 0.9 per cent of the units are habitable and for rent, as compared with 2.2 per cent in white neighborhoods.

Another sore spot is the area around the Washington Navy Yard, where the largest concentration of "defense" workers is found. Only 1 per cent of the units in that vicinity are inhabitable and for rent.

Although more than half the

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Belgian Trade Mission Arrives in Moscow
(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 12.—Famine-stricken Belgium, cut off from food supplies by the British blockade, looked to trade negotiations which are about to open here for relief for her people.

A Belgian trade delegation arrived here yesterday. It was met at the station by representatives of the People's Commissariat of Foreign Trade and by officials of the German embassy.

By A. Yerbitsky
(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

Moscow, Feb. 12.—Restoring life to beings who have just died from loss of blood or electric shock has been accomplished in Soviet laboratories, as scientific men here point out.

Up to now, the experiments have involved only dogs or other "lower" animals, but Soviet scientists look forward to using the knowledge thus gained to restore life to many human beings who have met death in certain ways.

The Institute of Experimental Physiology and Therapeutics, where these remarkable results have been attained, was

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Albany Special: Crowded with Teachers Union, parent groups and union representatives, the special train bearing 3,500 unionists leaves Grand Central Station for Albany budget hearing. This group represents the Workers Alliance.

Many Rescue Ship Parties To Be Held Here in Drive for Finances

F.D.R. Crowd Makes Phony Amendment to War Bill

Administration, in Deceptive Move, Proposes 'Curb' Which Amounts to No Actual Brake on Dictatorial Powers in Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—In a deceptive maneuver late today the Roosevelt administration tonight trotted out an amendment of its own to HR 1776, the war-dictatorship bill, in an effort to confuse foes of the measure who have opposed the blank check powers it proposes to confer on the President.

The amendment, heralded as a "curb" on the limitless financial powers of the President under the bill, was offered by Senators Barkley of Kentucky and Byrnes of South Carolina, both of whom are Administration wheelhorses, and White of Maine, the loudest Republican supporter of the war program.

Carrying out the spirit of the cynical gesture, the White House immediately let it be known that it would "bow" to the "limitation" which frankly places no ceiling on the amount of aid in cash, guns or ships to England. The amendment merely allows the President to request whatever sum he says is "needed," say \$2,000,000,000 in ap-

propriations, plus an additional sum, say \$1,000,000,000 in authorizations, after which he would have to have to ask Congress for a new appropriation.

MOCK CONCESSION
The virtual meaninglessness of this gesture is apparent when it is recalled that in the House, with administration whips riding herd over the legislators, every suggestion of fixing a top limit on funds was quickly beaten down.

Aside from this mock "concession" the Senate Committee went through the formality of approving all of the House amendments to the bill, which admittedly altered

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Dr. Negrin Urges Aid at Once for Loyalists Now in Camps

By Art Shields

Lives of 450 Spanish refugees slowly dying in a French government camp at Casablanca, French Morocco, depend on the speedy success of the fund drive being conducted by the American Rescue Ship Mission at 200 Fifth Ave.

The drive is being speeded this coming week at scores of parties and entertainments and meetings throughout the United States and Latin America.

Rescue Ship leaders are confident that the goal of 150,000, the cost of the first trip, will be reached before the sailing date, Feb. 27.

But every day counts. The money must be raised or the ship will not sail for Casablanca, to take on 450 passengers for new homes in Mexico.

High point in the Rescue Ship campaign events this week will be a tour of the ship at Pier One, New York Harbor, at 4:30 P. M. tomorrow. Invited guests will see the progress that ship's refitters have already made in converting the passenger quarters for the 450 new passengers.

Biggest Rescue Ship affair next week will be an entertainment at the ballroom at Manhattan Center. Earl Robinson, the composer of "Ballad for Americans" will be there to sing and Margo of "Tanyard Street" and other artists will add to the gaiety of the night.

William E. Dodd, Jr., son of the late ambassador to Germany, will express his enthusiasm for the ship's mission, in a talk to the guests.

Dodd is one of the many American writers who have taken a firm

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Germany Gets Danish Torpedo Boats

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—A Nazi spokesman today said that Germany had recently requested Denmark to "place a number of Danish torpedo boats at its disposal" and that Denmark had agreed. Guns were removed from the boats, the spokesman said, and the boats were now being used by Germany "mainly" for training purposes in the Baltic.

AFL and CIO Members In March At Capitol

3 Trainloads of Unionists from City, AFL and CIO, Unite on Issue

By S. W. Gerson
(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

ALBANY, Feb. 12.—With all groups of organized labor on one side and a small clique of so-called taxpayers' representatives on the other, the 1941 battle of the budget was fought out today in a seven-hour struggle before a jammed Assembly chamber.

Opposition to the two per cent cut in state aid to education, proposed by Gov. Herbert H. Lehman in his \$385,000,000 budget, was virtually the guiding slogan of the most widely divergent organizations. Even some small businessmen's organizations ranged themselves with the trade union, parents, and teachers' representatives.

Gray-clad state troopers were arrayed in and outside of the state capital early in the day as preparations for the public hearing before the joint session of the Assembly Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees began. A parade of three trainloads of New York unionists started the day's fireworks.

CARRY BANNERS

Composed of about 2,000 CIO workers and about 1,500 AFL teachers union members, the marchers held aloft neatly-lettered signs as they made their way up the steep hill to the capital.

"Tax the Upper Bracket, Reduce Relief Cuts," said one placard. Another called for "Defense for the People, Not the Bankers" while a third called attention to the fact that "School Educators War Multiplian."

Most impressive to observers who recall various other budget struggles was the unanimity with which labor organizations which had previously supported the Governor opposed his budget.

Thomas J. Lyons, president of the State Federation of Labor, expressed vigorous opposition to reductions and inadequate appropriations for the Department of Labor, especially in the various inspection divisions and the division of industrial hygiene. Lyons also backed the fight against the two per cent state aid cut.

Representatives of the Women Trade Union League and League of Women Voters, organizations staffed by Lehman supporters, were among those who expressed their disapproval of Lehman's budgetary proposal.

APPLAUD CIO SPEAKERS

Most impressive, however, was the acerbic and documented testimony given by the Greater New York Industrial Council of the CIO, whose long list of speakers repeatedly brought applause from the packed galleries and carried requests for silence from chairman Asot Low Medoff of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee.

Accusing the Governor's proposed budget as reflecting an "anti-social policy," William P. Macgill, legislative representative of the CIO Council, charged that the figures recommended would weaken Democratic Government.

"These are times when democracy and democratic government should be made to mean more and to promise more in the daily lives of the American people," he said.

"We believe that the proposed budget does just the opposite. It proposes less education, less relief, less welfare, less of the things that Democracy is made of. This curtailment in state aid to education and the other anti-social proposals in the budget can have but one impression in people's minds—the impression that democratic government in New York State during the

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Hear Graziani Flying Back From Libya

British Forces Continue African Drive on Four Fronts

MADRID, Feb. 12 (UP).—Premier Benito Mussolini and Generalissimo Francisco Franco, who conferred today in the Italian town of Bordighera, reached a complete accord on "problems of historic consequence" involving Italy and Spain, an official communiqué said tonight.

CAIRO, Feb. 12 (UP).—British land and air forces struck deeper into Italy's East African empire on four fronts today as reports reached Cairo that Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, commander-in-chief of the shattered Fascist army in North Africa, had left for Rome by airplane.

The reports that Graziani had flown home, perhaps on order of Premier Benito Mussolini, came from the captured Italian base of Benghazi in eastern Libya, but lacked confirmation.

(Graziani's departure might have a direct connection with the secret consultations of Mussolini, General Franco of Spain, and Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, which are believed to be concerned with new war measures aimed at counter-acting Britain's African victories.)

1.—Announcement by the British middle east command of the capture of El Ghena in Eritrea, along with prisoners and equipment, by Empire forces striking down from the north and reports that the British column driving down the Red Sea coast is within about 120 miles of Massawa, chief port of Eritrea.

2.—The capture of two strategic mountain heights, one of 5,000 and the other of 4,000 feet, south of Keren in a British assault aimed at encircling the railroad town atop a plateau 35 miles northwest of Asmara, capital of Eritrea.

3.—Capture by Empire forces of Mai Merale, 40 miles west of Adigrigi which is south of Asmara.

4.—Continued penetration by British's Kenya forces into Southern Ethiopia and Italian Somaliland to depths ranging from 60 to 70 miles—aided by planes of the South African air force.

LONDON DENIES ROME PEACE TALK

LONDON, Feb. 12 (UP).—The British government today denied rumors of an impending armistice between Italy and Britain and asserted that the war against Benito Mussolini's battered forces will continue with crushing blows unless Italy sues for peace.

Indicating that Mussolini also is determined to fight it out and has made no peace feelers, an official spokesman said that "the Italians have suffered a nasty crack but Mussolini is stubborn."



Gods of the Primitives are still found in the steppes of Khakassia in the U.S.S.R. This ancient stone statue in Aspis is known as the "Gem of Siberia."

APM to Hold 'Mobilizing' Parley Here

Urge Unions, Churches, Peace Groups Attend Conference Today

Taking the initial step in a drive to organize the people of Greater New York for participation in the nation-wide American People's Meeting to be held here April 5 and 6, the American Peace Mobilization, New York Council, yesterday issued a call for a "mobilizing conference" of church, trade union, community and peace organizations Thursday and peace organizations tonight in Manhattan Center.

At the conference, plans will be laid for organization and action to make the American People's Meeting the broadest and most representative ever held in this country.

"The past few weeks of discussion on the President's war powers bill," Dr. Neff said, "have made it clear that Congress is intending to abdicate its prerogatives and hand over control of the nation's economy to a single individual, President Roosevelt."

"House and Senate Committees conducting hearings on H. R. 1776 have closed their doors to all but a few hand-picked witnesses, most of them completely unrepresentative of the great masses of the American people."

"Denied a voice in Washington, the people's only recourse is to express themselves through their own congress," the American People's Meeting—a meeting which will represent the true sentiments of those millions who are opposed to our participation in the present European War."

Report Franco Weighs Aid to Mussolini

Speculation Centers on Talk of 'Latin Bloc' to Bolster Italy

VICHY, Feb. 12 (UP).—Proposals for creation of a "Latin bloc" challenging Britain's Mediterranean conquests were reported to have been discussed today at a secret conference of Premier Benito Mussolini and Generalissimo Francisco Franco of Spain somewhere in Italy.

Tomorrow Franco, en route back to Madrid, will confer with Marshal Henri Philippe Petain in the Languedoc region of Southern France and perhaps seek a solution of several points of French-Spanish friction standing in the way of Petain's collaboration in such a Latin bloc.

Reports persisted that Adolf Hitler, Foreign Minister Joachim Von Ribbentrop or some other high-ranking Nazi official participated in today's conference in Italy but they lacked confirmation.

In connection with the proposal for the "Latin bloc"—Italy, Spain and France—to safeguard their Mediterranean and African positions, there were persistent reports that Spanish Foreign Minister Ramon Serrano Suñer, who is accompanying Franco, might soon become the minister of Spain.

VICHY REGIME IS 'TEMPORARY'—BERLIN

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—The official news agency said today that the French cabinet in which Admiral Jean Darian is vice premier is "a purely temporary government."

Propose Phony War Power Bill 'Amendment'

Proposed As a 'Curb' on Limitless Powers, the Sky Is Still the Limit

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It is no important respect from the all-inclusive original Roosevelt proposal.

Testimony on the bill before the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee ended yesterday with the testimony of administration "rebuttal" witnesses, including Wendell Wilkie. Like the hearings before the House Foreign Relations Committee, the senators imposed a virtual ban on spokesmen of labor, progressive and real anti-war organizations.

The committee, under determined pressure from labor, did agree to hear Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, but barred all others including representatives of the American Peace Mobilization and the National Youth Congress.

However the committee did make public a statement submitted to it by John T. Flynn, economist, charging that Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau had made misleading statements about British investments in the United States in an effort to boost financial aid to England.

"It is a strange spectacle to find Congress groping in the dark about these important figures while the Treasury Department and the British treasury collaborate to fix up a statement to serve British interests," Flynn said.

"It would be difficult to imagine how the Secretary could have proceeded to more thoroughly obscure and confuse the subject upon which he was expected to throw light..."

Flynn's statement was presented for insertion in the committee's record. Flynn was unable to appear before the committee because of illness. The statement was released to the public by the "America First" Committee.

Flynn contended that the British Empire has approximately \$4,440,000,000 in dollar assets in this country to meet its war purchases. He based his estimate on Morgenthau's figures and those of the Federal Reserve Board and the Commerce Department.

Morgenthau, in testimony before the committee two weeks ago, said the "British just haven't got the dollars" to finance their purchases in this country, pointing out that their commitments amount to \$1,400,000,000 and that they have \$1,811,000,000 in "gold and dollar exchange assets" which they consider available for purchases.

Chairman Walter F. George of the Committee said he expected to conclude action on the bill tomorrow and that Senate debate will begin next Monday.

10,000 from German-Held Territory to Return To Lithuania; Welcome First Group at Soviet Border

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 12.—Lithuanian-born people now living in Germany or in German-held territory who desire to return to Soviet Lithuania may do so, and the first groups have already arrived, according to an announcement here today.

The transfer of these former Lithuanians is going forward on the basis of an agreement between the Soviet Government and the German Government, the announcement explains.

The transfer of 10,000 persons in all is expected from Suwalki province during the next few weeks. Full preparations have been made for their reception at the frontier town of Kalvarija, including dormitories sufficient for the accommodation of seven hundred at a time, with dining rooms and emergency medical service.

Soviet Science Achieves First Steps In Bringing Back Life After Death

Rescue Ship Parties To Be Held in City

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stand in support of the life saving voyage of the S.S. Lovcen.

OTHER SPEAKERS

Dan Gillmor, publisher of "Friday," Dr. Edward K. Barsky, the chairman of the United American Spanish Aid Societies, who helped organize the army hospitals of the Spanish Republic; Herman Shumlin, Muriel Draper, Dr. Annette Rubenstein and others will also talk to the guests.

The American Rescue Ship Mission announced yesterday that Dr. Juan Negrin, war-time premier of the Spanish Republic, has declared his desire to cooperate with all moves to save his interned countrymen.

The Rescue Ship Mission's statement follows:

"Dr. Juan Negrin, former head of the Spanish Republic Government now residing in London, is keenly desirous of assisting all efforts to rescue his fellow countrymen from concentration camps in France and North Africa, according to information received by the United American Spanish Aid Committee, sponsor of the American Rescue Ship Mission, and made public today."

"The committee revealed that Dr. Negrin recently cabled refugee aid committees in Mexico which are supporting the ship mission of his willingness to cooperate in all endeavors to transport Spanish refugees from internment camps to Mexico and other generous

Latin American countries which have opened their doors to them.

YAYO ALSO

"Senor Julio Alvarez del Vayo, former Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Spanish Republic who now is residing in New York, has expressed his complete accord with the sentiments of Dr. Negrin, the committee said."

"A cablegram extending cordial greetings to Dr. Negrin and deep appreciation for his desire to participate in present rescue efforts, was dispatched last night by the Executive Committee of the organization."

"At the same time, the Executive Committee issued a statement inviting the cooperation of all refugee aid organizations interested in saving the Spanish refugees in order that this herculean task may more speedily be accomplished."

The statement, made public by Miss Helen E. Bryan, executive secretary, follows:

"The United American Spanish Aid Committee, sponsor of the American Rescue Ship Mission, is happy to have succeeded in finding a suitable vessel, the S. S. Lovcen, which can transport the Spanish refugees from the living hell of concentration camps to precious freedom in Mexico. The ship mission was launched on the basis of the agreement concluded between the Mexican and Vichy Governments whereby the latter agreed to release the refugees and the former to admit them."

"Because of the enormous scope

A special committee consisting of representatives of sixteen public organizations, including the Communist Party and the trade unions, is in charge of the reception.

The transferees will spend two days at Kalvarija, where all formalities usual in crossing national boundary lines will be dispensed with. The travelers will then be taken at once to their place of residence, according to their choice. Traveling expenses connected with the transfer will be borne by the state.

On their arrival at their destination, the transferees will be provided by the local authorities with food, dwelling places, fuel and all other necessities, until they get work.

The first arrivals came Feb. 5. Coming in groups, they are welcomed in the various towns by the local population.

Baltimore Ball for Rescue Ship Mission

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—A ball to raise funds for the Rescue Ship Mission will be held here on Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22, at the Polish Home Hall, 510 S. Broadway, under the joint auspices of the Baltimore chapter of the Mission and the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

of the problem only unified efforts by all refugee aid organizations can fully and speedily accomplish this herculean task. The United American Spanish Aid Committee is prepared and willing to cooperate fully with all groups to the end that these heroic Spanish defenders of democracy may be rescued."

3 Norwegians Sentenced To Death by Nazis

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—Three Norwegians named Seathre, Bratum and Hansen were sentenced to death in Norway for espionage on Feb. 1, after a five-day trial, it was made known today.

Anton Rosenberg was sentenced to five years in prison and two others were acquitted at the same trial. The accused were charged with maintaining a secret radio station which transmitted reports on German armed forces "which resulted in great loss of life and property to the population of Bergen."

OLD THEORIES DISPROVED

Hitherto many who were opposed to the revival of dead organisms asserted that a dog put to death and restored would be helpless because its cerebral cortex was allegedly destroyed, conditional reflexes would vanish from its memory, and so on.

But Professor Bryukhonenko and his assistants proved the absurdity of these assertions. A dog called Milka was trained to respond to a very complex conditional reflex: On the seventeenth stroke of the metronome, it lifted its paw, but did not react to either the sixteenth or the seventeenth.

The day fixed for the experiment arrived. While under the anesthetic, the dog was put to death and almost all its blood removed by the automatic pump. Those present examined the dog and convinced themselves that it was dead: all reflexes, breath and pulse, were absent.

Thirty minutes later, the automatic pump was put into action, and artificial blood circulation began. The dog revived.

REFLEX NORMAL

But this was not all. It was necessary to check its conditional reflexes, namely, to show the condition of the cerebral cortex. On the following day the experiment with the metronome was carried out, and, as before, Milka reacted to the seventeenth stroke.

Milka is today a splendid hunting dog and hunters praise its faultless scent and memory.

In institutes, laboratories and vivarium we saw many strong and lively dogs. These were all former corpses restored to life by artificial means. Some of the dogs had been put to death and "resurrected" several times.

Professor Bryukhonenko receives many letters from Soviet citizens, scientists, who comment enthusiastically on the Institute's brilliant successes. The unquestionable achievements of the Institute of Experimental Physiology and Therapeutics hold out a promise of even more remarkable and perfect results.

The day is not far distant when the Institute will begin experimenting on man, and death resulting from many diseases will be conquered. What yesterday seemed utopia or mirage will tomorrow become real and indisputable scientific fact.

Freighter Aground

SANDWICH, Mass., Feb. 12 (UP).—Two tugs were enroute from New York today to attempt floating the 3,214-ton Norwegian freighter Elin K, which grounded on Burnt Island after striking Cleveland Ledge.

Marcantonio Speech Against War-Dictator Bill

'H.R. 1776 Sends U.S. to War for Imperialism, Not Democracy'

Yesterday the Daily Worker published part of the speech of Rep. Vito Marcantonio condemning the Roosevelt war-dictator bill along with the first portion of the debate upon the progressive Laborite's speech. Below we publish the conclusion of this debate with only a few omissions, which are indicated, solely because of space limitations.

Mr. JARMAN. Mr. Chairman, I yield the gentleman from New York 5 more minutes.

Mr. GORE. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. I yield. Mr. GORE. The gentleman in declining to state which country he would prefer to live, but rather preferred to live in America, and in his characterization of this war as imperialism versus imperialism, raised a question in my mind as to what he thought would constitute the greatest threat to America, which he has said he loves, and I sincerely believe he does—

Mr. MARCANTONIO. The greatest threat to America—

Mr. GORE. The greatest threat to America, the overwhelming defeat of Great Britain by the German forces or the defeat of Germany by the British forces?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. I say that America's greatest threat lies in three forces. One from Hitlerism, a Hitler victory; two, from a British imperialist victory; and, three, the most imminent danger to the welfare of the American people is by plunging the United States of America into this imperialist war (applause), because we are not going into a war at the termination of which there will be established democracy and justice throughout Europe; but, on the contrary, we are going into a war in pursuance of the imperialist policies not only of Great Britain but of the United States Wall Street imperialist interests as well. I intend to develop the thought that what we are about to accomplish just now, and what we have really accomplished, is the formation of a new axis. In this imperialist world crisis as opposed to the Rome-Tokio-Berlin

Axis, we have formed the Wall Street-Downing Street axis, and the worst thing for America is a triumph of either one of those two axes. The best thing for the American people is to bring about the defeat of both of these axes, and the most important thing that the American people can do to bring about the defeat of the Wall Street-Downing Street axis, as well as of the Rome-Tokio-Berlin Axis, is to remain at peace, to build up our democracy, to give work to the unemployed of America, and to preserve civil and constitutional liberties in the greatest democracy in the world. (Applause.)

The CHAIRMAN. The time of the gentleman from New York has again expired.

Mr. MUNDT. Mr. Chairman, if the gentleman has used all of the time on the Democratic time, I am glad to yield the gentleman 10 minutes from our side.

Mr. MARCANTONIO. The American Labor Party is doing pretty well. (Laughter and applause.) I want to thank the gentlemen of both parties for the time.

China! What is our policy toward democratic China, which is being used as a bait to get people to support this kind of legislation? We loaned China \$100,000,000. Ask the Chinese representative what they have been able to buy here. They have been unable to buy a single war article of any consequence by which they could prosecute the war of defense against Japanese aggression. This may astound you, but check up this statement at the State Department and you will find it is true. For the past 6 months, instead of our exports to Japan declining, our exports to Japan during the last 6 months have been larger than at any other time during the period commencing with the invasion of China by Japan. We are increasing our exports to Japan. What is our game over there? It is a little bit to keep Japan busy, but never will we give China sufficient to make China win, so as

to establish a democratic China, because a genuinely democratic China will be antagonistic to the imperialist interest, not only of Japan but of Downing Street or Wall Street as well, and will never permit the exploitation which we, in conjunction with Japan and Downing Street, are conducting in China.

Mr. GORE. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. I yield. Mr. GORE. The gentleman stated a few moments ago that No. 1 danger was of a Hitler victory. No. 2, I believe, was a British victory.

Mr. MARCANTONIO. I did not mean anything by 1, 2, and 3. I say that the three of them are equally dangerous, but the most immediate danger is that of going into this war, thereby destroying our peace and our freedom.

Mr. GORE. The gentleman says that victory by either one constitutes a threat.

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Right. Mr. GORE. Then how does the gentleman justify, since they are now combating each other in a fight to the finish, how does the gentleman justify his vote against all national-defense measures?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. I will be glad to do so. When I voted against these allegedly national-defense bills I said they were constituting this country into a military reservoir for one side as against the other; that they were not being used strictly for national defense. I said that in June. The press and others called me names in the months following June, 1940, but the President came here in January, 1941, and said that we had to become an arsenal for democracy. That is where I disagree with him.

We are an arsenal, but not an arsenal for democracy. Therefore I will vote hundreds of millions of dollars for the strict defense of my country, but I will not vote for these appropriations since time and events have demonstrated conclusively that we have not been appropriating for the defense of our Nation, but

rather we have appropriated in preparation to catapulting this country into an imperialist war, and being opposed to that imperialist war, I refuse to appropriate for anything that catapults us into that war.

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Now, I would like to tell you what the representative of monopoly capitalism says. This is right straight from Wall Street. The National Industrial Conference Board, 247 Park Ave., New York City, is one of the important research bureaus for the monopoly finance and monopoly business. Mr. Virgil Jordan, its president, made a speech before the Investment Bankers Association at Hollywood, Fla., on Dec. 10 last year.

Mr. GORE. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Now let me give the gentleman this speech.

Mr. GORE. I want to get the gentleman off of that straw man. Mr. MARCANTONIO. He is not a straw man. Mr. Virgil Jordan happens to be one of the spokesmen for the big men who are making many legislators straw men. Now I yield. (Laughter.)

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Just a few words as to South America and then I want to get back to Virgil Jordan. We are not fooling the people of South America. We may hear grandiose speeches from certain South American dictators talking about the kind of protection we are giving them. The people of Latin America know that the kind of protection we are giving them is the kind of protection Al Capone gave the Chicago businessmen. (Laughter.) We are exploiting South America, we are following the course of empire with regard to South America, economic and commercial exploitation is our order of the day in South America. And these dictators down in South America, who put them there? Who was responsible for these dictators? Who established the dictators in South America? We may as well answer those questions for the American people because the people of Latin

America know the answer.

Our State Department knows the role we have played in the establishment of dictatorships in Latin America. The only time the Latin-American people will believe our good faith in the good-neighbor policy, will be when we show to the people of South America that not only are we in favor of keeping Hitler out of South America but that we are likewise opposed to keeping all kinds of exploitation and imperialism out of South America, including the Wall Street brand.

Mr. GORE. Mr. Chairman, now will the gentleman yield?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Not now; I want to get back to Mr. Jordan. This is important. Maybe the gentleman knows about this speech and does not want me to read it.

(Here the gavel fell.)

Mr. FISH. Mr. Chairman, I yield to the gentleman 5 additional minutes.

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Mr. Virgil (Jordan) said: "... Whatever the facts about this war may have been or are now, it must be unmistakably clear to any intelligent person that we are engaged in it. Our Government has committed the American community to participation in this war as the economic ally of England, and as her spiritual, if not her political, partner in her struggle with the enemies of the British Empire everywhere in the world, to help prevent, if possible, their destruction of the Empire, and if this should not be possible, to take her place as the heir and residuary legatee or receiver for whatever economic and political assets of the Empire may survive her defeat."

Whereas we are following the course of empire here, my colleagues, we have formed the Wall Street-Downing Street axis with Great Britain gradually taking the role of junior partner in that axis. I refuse to follow an empire course which will inevitably lead to the shedding of the blood of American people and which will mean the spending of the dollars of American taxpayers.

Empire for America means death for American liberty. Let us fol-

low this a little further—and I refer this argument to my colleagues, particularly my New Deal friends who were opposed to the 60 families, the exploiters of America—and yet we are told that we are fighting this battle for the defense of democracy.

But when I look around and see the people who are espousing this cause of defense for this democracy, whom do I find? John Pierpont Morgan, Thomas W. Lamont, the Chase National Bank, the Du Ponts.

I thought they were the economic royalists. I thought they were the enemies of the people. I believed it then, I believe it now. The difference between the New Dealers and me today is that they believed it then but they deny it now, that these people were, have been, and always will be the enemies of the working people of America, of the common people of America, and of America's democracy. They are the forces aligned on the side of war, on the side of imperialism, which makes war inevitable, on the side of imperialism. They are now on your side. I am still against them. We find that these forces have always opposed labor legislation, we find that these forces have always opposed the extension of democracy to the farms, to the cities, to the mines, to the mills, and to the factories of this country. You tell me this is a fight for democracy and I yet find them espousing this aid-to-Britain cause, this arsenal policy and this legislation. Would they support all this if this program were really for democracy? These enemies of democracy support this program because they know it to be an imperialist war program, more profits for them and the end of the freedom of the American people. It is historically tragic that they have taken you into their camp...

This legislation means the death of peace in America. We will go to war, not for democracy, we will go to war for imperialism; we will go to war for the Wall Street-Downing Street axis—a new axis contending for world control and world empire.

I do not want my Nation to be an empire. I want my Nation to remain a free nation, not an empire—a country of a free people breathing the free air of a free nation, collaborating with the democratic people throughout the world for world democracy. By building up our democracy and collaborating with democratic people in the world we will guarantee the end of Hitlerism throughout the world...

Mr. GORE. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. The gentleman from Tennessee.

Mr. GORE. The gentleman took off from Wall Street, he sailed through Great Britain, Europe, and touched India—

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Now, you are expecting me to jump on Tennessee? (Laughter and applause.)

Mr. GORE. The gentleman lighted in India, China, the East Indies, Africa, South America, and then back to Wall Street. He has had a brilliant succession of knock-outs against the strawmen and he has ended with a peroration about freedom here in America this freedom which we all love; yet in the face of the threats which he has admitted here tonight stare us in the face, the gentleman has not told us anything he has done to assist in the defense of our liberties. Why?

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Mr. Chairman, I fought for the unemployed, for the farmers, and for labor. I voted for every bill that was essentially and strictly a national-defense bill on the floor of this House. I fought for constitutional and civil rights in this House and throughout the country. May I say to the gentleman that if we follow the course advocated by him, which will inevitably plunge us into this imperialist war, you, not I, will help destroy the freedom that we all love.

In conclusion this lend-lease bill lends America's youth to war and lesser America's institutions to the Wall Street-Downing Street imperialist axis. (Applause.)

LNPL Head Hits Hobbs Wire Tap Measure

Tells House Committee All Labor Opposes Tory Measure

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—John T. Jones, director of Labor's Non-Partisan League and legislative representative of the CIO, today assailed the Hobbs wire-tapping bill in testimony before the House Judiciary Committee.

Jones told the committee that enactment of the bill would "bring back an instrument susceptible to the uses of tyranny, of blackmail, of oppression."

Legalizing of wire tapping would not serve any useful purpose because "real spies are not going to use the telephone to give away their secrets," Jones added.

He pointed out that the CIO has repeatedly condemned wire tapping legislation in resolutions at conventions and executive board meetings.

The entire labor movement is now on record as opposing the Hobbs bill which is an official administration measure sponsored by the Department of Justice and the FBI.

NAMES OPPOSITION

The A. F. of L. and the Railroad Brotherhoods, as well as the CIO, have publicly condemned the proposed wire tapping legislation.

Recalling the action of Congress in forbidding wire tapping in the World War for fear of official secrets might be revealed, Jones recalled also the strong expressions of Supreme Court Justices, and various members of Congress against "the dirty business of wire tapping." He noted that more than 20 states have prohibited wire tapping.

Jones pointed out that even FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover said in 1939 that the abuses arising from wire tapping "would far outweigh the value which might accrue to law enforcement as a whole."

Continuing his attack on the Hobbs bill, Jones said:

"The dangers arising from wire tapping are many; the benefits to be derived from it are few, if any, and are still to be proved. The evils wire tapping brings are well known to Congress, the public, and the courts. The practice is abhorrent to Americans. It stems directly from the secret espionage tactics of the dictators' secret police."

"Supervision, by police telephone investigators, of the private lives of American citizens will not catch spies. No one has yet shown such a need with regard to wire tapping, and teachings of the last war lead us to just the opposite conclusion."

CALL IT TYRANNY

"Real spies are not going to use the telephone to give away their secrets, and real saboteurs are not going to plan or reveal bomb plots by wire. This is true at present while wire tapping is banned. It would be infinitely more true if Congress were to announce, by passing H. R. 2266 or any similar bill, that henceforth investigators were to shadow the nation's telephones. To think otherwise is to put aside the promptings of common sense."

A strong protest against the Hobbs bill was also made by Hugh Miller, chairman of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action, in a wire to the House Judiciary Committee.

Miller said that "wire tapping can be a means of tyranny and oppression and is an unwarranted espionage upon the activities of the American people."

2-Time NLRA Violator Gets War Orders

Found guilty once before of violating the Wagner Act, M. Lowenstein & Sons, 43 Leonard St., one of the largest textile converting firms in the country and heavy beneficiary of government orders, is again being called before the NLRB, Norma Aronson, general organizer of the United Office and Professional Workers, CIO, announced yesterday.

Local 16 of the union is petitioning for an election among the company's 435 employees. The action came when the firm failed to reply on the union's formal request for recognition.

The textile house has centered the union's organization efforts for the past three and one-half years. In 1937 the company was ordered to disband a company organization it hastily formed to counteract Local 16. The company was then ordered to stop interfering with Local 16 union activities.

Since then the firm grew, requiring an office staff of over 400 thanks to government contracts. Miss Aronson said. The union, she added, will call upon the Office of Production Management to withhold contracts in event the company refuses to consent to an election.

These Negro strikers are some of the 700 employees of the Whelan drug store chain who walked out Feb. 1 under the leadership of Local 1199 of the Retail Drug Store Employees Union (CIO). Photo (left) shows two strikers, Lawrence Roper and Roy Parnell, warming up with hot coffee served by fellow striker Clarence Wade. At right is Miss Eulalie Mannix, strike leader, woman pharmacist and only Negro woman member of the union.



Police Arrest 10 Pickets at Whelan Stores

Cops' Club Pickets At Madison Avenue Store; Arrests in Flushing

Police clubbed Whelan drug store pickets and arrested 10 last night at two of the stores which the company opened in an effort to break the strike of its 800 employees.

At 79th St. and Madison Ave., as the store closed at 7 P. M. one of the strikebreakers, Michael Enright, with police locking on, attacked Salvatore Arturo, a picket. Police joined in but clubbed Arturo and several other pickets. Paul Lokie and Edward McGee were the two pickets arrested.

Shortly afterward, a similar occurrence took place at the Flushing store of the company, where seven were arrested.

Earlier yesterday a mass picket line marched in front of the Madison Ave. store.

Fifty stores of the company remained closed and 100 United Cigar stores were picketed yesterday.

Connecticut Dyers Stage A Walkout

(Special to the Daily Worker)

NORWICH, Conn., Feb. 12.—More than 1,000 employees of the U.S. Finishing Co. were in the second day strike today called by the Federation of Dyers, Bleachers, Printers and Finishers, CIO.

The strike began Monday in the bleaching and dyeinghouse when several hundred employees walked out. A meeting of the workers that evening voted to strike the entire plant following an address by Ferdinand Sylva.

The workers are demanding a regular work-week with time and one-half for Saturday; double time for Sunday; a week's vacation with pay; elimination of the bonus system in some departments; a minimum of 50 cents an hour; a general 10 per cent increase and the closed shop.

Since the strike began a majority of the workers signed up with the union. But for several who are permitted to work to prevent damaged goods now in process, the plant is at a standstill. Some of the work in the plant is under government contract.

Unorganized workers in neighboring textile plants are watching the U.S. strike with interest.

Why Whelan's Negro Workers Walked Out

The 65 Negro Workers of the Chain's 764 Striking Employees Suffer the Worst Wages and Working Conditions; Harlem Headquarters Busy

By Ann Rivington

If you want to know what the Whelan strike is about, you can find out at the Harlem strike headquarters, 304 West 126th St. The 65 Negroes among Whelan's 764 striking workers, members of Local 1199 of Pharmacists and Retail Drug Clerks, CIO, can tell you—they hold the worst jobs for the least pay in Whelan stores, and they're out solid.

Said Al Clarke, one of the strikers, "The way we figure it is this. The maximum we get is \$21 a week, the minimum is \$17—except for the delivery boys, and they get as low as \$8, and do about every kind of work. With the rents we have to pay, and food for our families, we have to strike, and stick together. And most of us are family men."

Joe Washington, member of the executive board of Local 1199 and head of the Harlem strike committee, explained the position of the Negro workers in Whelan stores to the Daily Worker. "Out of our salaries," he said, "we have to pay an average of 42 percent for rent, and among us the number of dependents averages between two and three. We work fifty hours a week—the law won't let them work us any longer. And Whelan's hire no Negroes except as porters and errand boys, and a very few pantry-men."

He went on, "Then, about two thirds of our group are in the draft, and Whelan's gives absolutely no protection of jobs for draftees. That's one of the strike demands."

NONE IN HARLEM

The Harlem strike headquarters is being donated by the United Whelan Boys Social Club of Harlem. In it is centered strike activity from 181st St., in Washington Heights, to 110th St. White as well as Negro workers from all over the city, assigned to picket in this territory, come there. There are no Whelan stores in Harlem, Joe Washington explained, but the United Cigar stores, owned by the same company, are being picketed to very good effect. "They're losing plenty of business," he said. "Mr. Brill, attorney for the company, made the statement that the public will soon forget. We say the public will never forget."

Commenting on the excellent morale of the strikers, Mr. Washington explained, "Whelan was ready to give the lower categories—and that's where our boys all work—some concession. Not the 15 per cent increase we asked for, of course, but some little concession, to break the strike. But we're sticking with the others, solid. After all, we're a union! We've all got to be together."



JOSEPH WASHINGTON, chairman of the Harlem strike committee and member of Local 1199 executive board.

The wives of the workers have begun to take an active part in the strike. "We got some of them out on the picket line Saturday," Union members who are employed in private concerns also come out on the picket line, at least three hours a week, often much more. While the Daily Worker reporter was in the Harlem headquarters, Mrs. Eulalie Mannix, the only woman pharmacist and only Negro woman in the union, came in for her picket sign.

"There's other women in Harlem trained to be pharmacists," she explained, "But they can't get jobs. That's a big reason for organizing the women up here." Mrs. Mannix is a member of the union's executive board, and is undertaking the organization of a Harlem auxiliary. The Harlem headquarters has its

soup kitchen, where sandwiches, soup, coffee and milk are served to cold and hungry picketers. Donations of canned goods come in from union members who are working in independent stores.

Clarence Whyde, in charge of the soup kitchen, smiles and says, "I've been doing the same job for Whelan's, 54 hours a week for \$20, a little bit too long. It's more of a pleasure to do it for the union for a while."

The strike is receiving excellent moral support from Harlem organizations, said Mr. Washington.

Delegation to Hit Pogroms in Rumania

Labor Progressive Group Will Go to Rumanian Embassy at Capital

A delegation of New York progressive and labor leaders will leave today for Washington to protest to Rumanian Minister Radu Irimescu, against the wave of anti-Semitic terror in his country which has culminated in the slaughter of hundreds of Jews.

The delegation will include Rabbi Moses Miller, national president of the Jewish People's Committee, as well as leaders of union and youth organizations and of the International Workers' Order.

At the same time the Jewish People's Committee announced that letters are being received from organizations all over the country, congratulating the Jewish People's Committee on its energetic campaign in behalf of the persecuted Jews of Rumania and enclosing delegates' credentials for the Jewish People's Committee's Fifth National Convention, which is to be held in New York City on March 22 and 23.

BROOKLYN PROTEST RALLY

The Fifth National Convention will open at Mecca Temple with a mass meeting and concert and will be followed by all-day business sessions on Sunday, March 23, at the Hotel Diplomat.

The call to the Convention has already been sent out to over 12,000 organizations from one end of the country to the other, and an increasing number of credentials are being received at the office of the Jewish People's Committee every day.

Meanwhile, a mass protest rally was called by the Jewish People's Committee for 8:30 P. M. today at Parkway Hall, Bristol and Pitkin Aves., Brooklyn. Bernard J. Har-kavy, national secretary of the committee, will speak.

Cartaret Machine Plant Shut By Strike

Foster-Wheeler Corp. Balks, 1-Day Stoppage Continues

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CARTARET, N.J., Feb. 12.—Following a one-day stoppage with the Foster-Wheeler Corp. still balking on signing a contract strikers held a meeting at Slovak Hall tonight and voted to remain out and renewed their original demands.

All but one of the 800 employed by the company walked out this morning on call of Local 440 United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers, CIO.

The strikers renewed the demands for a 10 cents an hour general increase, union shop, seven holidays with pay and a 5 and 10 per cent differential for the night side.

A group of company stooges at first tried to disrupt the strike meeting, with fist fights requiring the election of two. When the vote was finally put, members and non-members of the union participating, about 30 of the disrupters walked out, all the rest voting to stay on strike.

The stoppage, coming after months of negotiations, was called at first against the company's "cheap-skate" persistence against signing a contract unless provision of pay for three holidays—New Year, Christmas and July 4—is stricken out.

Neil Brant, Regional Director of the union said that the company has a backlog of from sixteen to seventeen million dollars, much of it government orders for marine machinery. The three holidays with pay would cost the company only \$14,000 annually.

Brant further disclosed that John Owens, representing Sidney Hillman's office, expressed assurance to him last Monday that he would convince the company to yield on such detail and asked postponement of strike plans. Late yesterday Owens telephoned him that the company refused to budge.

With the union coming down considerably from its original demands, agreement was already reached for a 65-cent hiring minimum; readjustments on several hundred men raising their wages and for further readjustments to be completed within 30 days and on a five per cent differential for night-shift workers.

"It is this picaresque attitude of the company that aroused the men," said Brant. "There are all sorts of companies right around Cartaret with nowhere near the profits Foster-Wheeler is making, who pay for holidays."

"This stoppage is to show the company we mean business." Several months ago the CIO won an NLRB election but by a slim margin. The strike solidarity displayed today indicated to the company that a policy to drive a wedge among the workers is doomed.

Browder To Be Main Speaker At Masses Rally

Dr. Ward, Gropper Among Prominent Persons Honoring Magazine's 30th Anniversary at Manhattan Center Sunday

Earl Browder will be the principal speaker at the New Masses' 30th Anniversary celebration at Manhattan Center, Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 P. M. Other speakers on the program will include: Dr. Harry F. Ward, of the Union Theological Seminary, Dr. Max Yergan, president of the National

Negro Congress; William Gropper; Joseph North and Ruth McKenny of the New Masses.

These speakers will all pay tribute to the outstanding achievements of the magazine in its 30 years of anti-war crusading. Several of the magazine's original contributors will be guests. They include: Art Young, H. Glintenkamp, Maurice Becker, Robert Minor, Lydia Olson.

Others who will contribute to the program include: Earl Robinson and the American People's Chorus who do new parts of "The People, Yes"; Anna Sokolow and her dance group, who will show some of her work from Mexico; Joshua White and his Chain Gang Singers; and the New Art String Quartet.

The order, affecting about 125,000 reservists, provides for first reserve training since May 4, 1940.

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AFL Teachers Unite to Preserve Unity and to Block Move of Top Officials to Revoke Local Charters

The Committee to Save the American Federation of Teachers to Protect the Schools, formed within the A. F. T. to prevent a threatened split in the organization, yesterday announced a nation-wide campaign to oppose the union Executive Council's threat to revoke the charters of a number of locals at the Council's meeting in Chicago Saturday.

The Committee, consisting of individual members of the A. F. T. loyal to its principles and determined to maintain the unity of the organization, was formed at a recent conference here. Members of the Committee charged the present leadership of the A. F. T. with spending its time, energies and resources "in a factional fight within the Federation," while, at the same time, remaining "conspicuously silent and inactive on the vital issues of the day."

Leaders of the A. F. T. who form the Committee are: Roy Abernethy, Cincinnati; Roberta Anthony,

Springfield, Mass.; Dean Ned Dearborn, New York University; Dr. E. E. Erickson, University of North Carolina; Dr. Garland Ethel, Seattle, Wash.; Dr. William Gellerman, Northwestern University; Mary Foley Grossman, Philadelphia; Charles J. Hendley, New York City; Gertrude Luehning, Palo Alto, Calif.; Dr. Robert K. Speer, New York University; Professor Dorey A. Wilkerson, Howard University.

Main objectives of the Committee, as drafted at the organizational meeting, are:

1.—Working for the adoption of a national program to protect and expand democratic education and free teaching;

2.—To defend those locals which are under attack by the A. F. T. Executive Council—attacks which have only one result: the weakening of the fight for public education and the blunting of that fight's most important instrument—an alert, aggressive trade union of edu-

cational workers;

3.—To protect basic trade union rights and constitutional procedure.

Representatives at the organizational meeting approved issuing of a nation-wide call to A. F. T. members. Mrs. Mary Foley Grossman (President, Local 192, Philadelphia Teachers Union) was named temporary secretary of the Committee.

Regarding the call for membership, Mrs. Grossman said:

"The Committee is in no sense a dual organization. That must be clearly understood. The Committee fights dual unionism in that it aims to prevent the Executive Council from engineering a disastrous split within the Federation."

A program for the American Federation of Teachers proposed by the Committee includes:

The immediate crisis facing the A. F. T. concerns the Executive Council's threat to revoke charters of Local 5 (Teachers Union of New York), Local 537 (New York



Three Were Killed when an explosion wrecked this interior of the Edwal Laboratories on the 12th floor of an office building in Chicago's Loop. Six other persons were seriously injured. The blast is believed to have been caused by mustard oil. The explosion disabled the building elevators and firemen, wearing gas masks, had to carry the injured down the stairs.

Capital Rent Gougers Prey Upon Workers

Negroes Hardest Hit as 'Defense' Job Seekers Stream into Washington; Report Shows Scandalous Conditions Prevail

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number of apartments available in the city cost more than \$50 a month, the considerable number of sub-standard small dwellings brought the average rent per month to \$30. This average is considered easily the highest in the United States.

Of the small number of apartments and houses available in the entire city, the poorest were in the lower brackets and the most plentiful in the more expensive brackets. Only 4 per cent of the 3,400 dwelling units available were in the \$20 to \$29 group while 22.9 per cent of the available apartments were in the \$70 and more group.

A total of 43.5 per cent of available apartments were less than \$50 a month, and 56.5 per cent were in the groups over \$50 a month.

ONLY ROOMS FOR RENT

Practically the only source of housing for workers coming into Washington is in the rooming houses and private homes which have rooms for rent. The WPA survey estimated that there are 8,500 such rooms for rent, of which 4,500 are for rent to white tenants.

The WPA survey showed that both Negro and white workers are affected by the severe housing shortage in the capital.

Negro workers have great difficulty finding a place to live in since less than 1 per cent of the Negro dwellings in the city are available for rent. Another 1 per cent of Negro dwellings are empty, but are so badly in need of repairs that they are unfit for use.

On the other hand, white rents for Negro families are comparatively high in Washington, but are not quite as high as those for white workers. This is explained pri-

marily by the slum conditions prevalent in Negro neighborhoods.

Sixty per cent of the monthly rentals in white vacancies were thus \$50 and more, and 70 per cent of Negro dwelling units were in the rent range under \$40 per month.

Another important factor to bear in mind in comparing Negro and white rents is, of course, the difference in wages and income between the two groups.

3 Sentenced To Year in Prison Case

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12. — Two women and a man were sentenced today to one year imprisonment each and fines ranging from \$1,000 to \$250 because they collected signatures to Communist Party nominating petitions in the recent election campaign.

Judge Dickerson, who pronounced the sentences, said the terms of imprisonment will be suspended if the fines are paid within 30 days.

The three are Mrs. Dorothy Rose Blumberg, wife of the state secretary of the Communist Party, Miss Sophie Kaplan, and Richard Browne. They were convicted on charges of "perjury" in connection with their circulation of petitions.

In a brief statement before sentence was pronounced, Mrs. Blumberg said that "this prosecution is part of a larger attack against the Communist Party and was the result of the war policies of and the war hysteria generated by the Roosevelt administration."

More Plants Of Harvester May Walk Out

Company Breaks Off Negotiations; Other Plants Take Vote

By Carl Harris

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Feb. 12. — Company officials who brusquely ended negotiations in the Harvester strike here yesterday were today confronted with the probability of strikes at two more plants within the next 24 hours.

At the Richmond, Ind., plant, where an overwhelming vote in favor of strike action was taken in the CIO Farm Equipment Workers Local, a strike deadline was set for tomorrow. Twelve hundred workers will stage a walkout at this plant, to add their strength to the 7,000 who are already on strike at the Tractor Works and Rock Falls plants of the International Harvester Corp.

Meanwhile, a strike was also imminent at the McCormick Works in Chicago, where 4,500 are employed. The CIO has signed up hundreds of additional workers in this plant during the few days since the Labor Board ordered the disestablishment of company unions at this and five other I.H.C. plants.

From many sources, support for the strikers kept pouring in today. Full support from the other Chicago unions was being mobilized by the provisional committee to set up a Chicago CIO Council.

Al Glenn, chairman of the Committee declared today that "in the outcome of this strike hangs the fate of the labor movement in Chicago."

Ernest Pugh, CIO Regional Director, issued a call today for a mass meeting in support of the Harvester strike to be held on Sunday, Feb. 23, 7:30 P.M. at Ashland Auditorium.

'BURY' COMPANY

At the West Pullman I.H.C. plant, a large demonstration was held at the plant gates yesterday in which the company union was "buried," as thousands of workers cheered. Fourteen armed cars loaded with policemen armed with pick handles were present, but the workers refused to be provoked. West Pullman is another of the plants where strike feeling is running high and workers are flocking into the CIO local, especially since the Labor Board report.

Meanwhile, the strike at the key tractor works was having its effect on other plants which depend on tractor works for materials. At the Farmall Plant, in Rock Island, the assembly line was cut to a five-hour day. At Milwaukee, the Diesel assembly line was also short of parts.

Steffanson Says U. S. Gets Soviet Weather Data

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12 (UP). — Vilhjamur Steffanson, explorer, said today that the United States need not fear that the Soviet Union has fortified Diomed Island in the Bering Straits.

The recent work that the U.S.S.R. has been doing there is for extensive and efficient weather forecasting and not for military purposes, Steffanson said. He added that the U.S. government stations at Dutch Harbor, Alaska, picked up the Soviet weather information for their own use.

From Express Driver's Helper to a People's Author: Thumb-Nail Story of Mike Gold's 25 Years of Activity

Daily Worker Will Honor Writer at Manhattan Center, March 2

Mike Gold was born on April 12, 1896 on New York's lower East Side. His parents were Jewish immigrants from Rumania. When he was 12 years old he went to work in a factory, and later became a driver's helper for the Adams Express Co., working on the night shift. When Mike's father died he became the sole support of a large family.

This was scarcely a start in life conducive to a literary career. Yet on Sunday, March 2, the Daily Worker will celebrate Mike Gold's 25 years of literary activity in the labor movement at Manhattan Center and Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, will be the principal speaker to honor his contribution to American letters.

When Mike was about 20 he went to Boston and worked as a feature writer for a daily newspaper there. At the same time he founded a weekly paper of his own, but it was soon suppressed by the police.

Identifying himself with the revolutionary movement from the very start, Mike joined the I.W.W. in its early days, and later became a member of the Communist Party when it was founded in this country.

From Boston Mike went to the West Coast, where he was a feature writer for Fremont Older's San Francisco Bulletin. After that he returned to New York and became a reporter for the old Socialist Call.

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Alliance Pickets Lehman's Home In Albany

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ALBANY, Feb. 12. — Fifty Workers Alliance members, part of a delegation here for the budget hearings, picketed the Governor's mansion in protest against his proposal to cut the relief budget for the 1941-42 fiscal year by \$7,000,000.

The picket line followed a meeting on the steps of the Capitol, addressed by Sam Wiseman, state president of the Alliance. Wiseman also presented the position of the Alliance on the budget before the joint Senate Finance and Assembly Ways and Means Committees hearings.

Attempts made by the Albany police to provoke a fight failed when the unemployed, after picketing briefly, dispersed.

Police Slug Sandhogs; Jail 8 Pickets

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job emerged from the open gates of the project at breakneck speed. Foot and mounted police drove wedges into the picket line all along the northeast end of Battery Park. The sandhogs resisted. Several stones were seen flying in the direction of a radio car and the covered truck.

Four patrolmen and two detectives pounced on a husky sandhog, who fought them off shouting in thick Irish brogue, "Oh, no you don't."

One cop jabbed this man several times in the groin with his night stick before placing him under arrest. Another was clubbed and arrested.

Among those arrested were John Joyce, Patrick Fleming and Michael Healey.

Brian Feeney, business agent of Local 147, said he and other officers of the local would be at City Hall this morning to confer with Mayor LaGuardia or his secretary on the possibility of the city intervening to settle the dispute with the drillers local.

United Labor Fights Budget Cuts At Joint Hearings in Albany

Anti-Communist Bill Sharply Protested At Albany Civil Liberties Conference

Prominent Labor Leaders and Progressives Score Dunnigan, Devaney, Coughlin Measures as Product of Hysteria, Threat to Democracy

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 12. — Strong condemnation of anti-Communist and anti-labor bills proposed in the State Legislature was expressed by widely varying groups in Albany today. These groups, formally here for the annual public hearing on the budget, left no doubt that these bills are opposed by the mass of citizens of New York State.

Speakers at the civil liberties panel of the state-wide conference on social legislation, completing a two-day session, de-

monstrated the Dunnigan, Devaney and Coughlin bills by name, and generally expressed complete opposition to the type of legislation represented by these bills.

Panel speakers were Charles Weinstein, assistant corporation counsel of New York City; Franklin Pollack, member of the civil liberties committee of the American Bar Association, and Assemblyman Dutton Peterson of Schuylar County.

WOMEN OPPOSE

In addition, the panel chairman, Mrs. Edward A. Norman, chairman of the civil liberties committee of the Women's City Club of New York, left no doubt as to her position against these measures. Her organization recently went on record in opposition to them.

Chief speaker to deal with the anti-Communist bills was Mr. Pollack. Despite some concessions to red-baiting in his presentation, he pointed out that the bills cut deeply into democratic processes.

He showed that what was involved was the right of citizens of the United States to vote. He gave it as his opinion that the bills were clearly unconstitutional, though warning that they might be upheld in the courts on the theory that Communists were dangerous to the safety of the state.

As an example of the lengths to which hysterical legislation can be applied, he cited the case of "U. S. vs. the 'Spirit of 76,'" in which a producer of an American revolutionary movie which pictured

the British as marauders was sentenced to three years imprisonment under the Espionage Act in the first World War.

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HIT 'DEFENSE' MASK

Taking direct issue with a representative of a taxpayer's group who argued that every reduction meant so much more for national defense, Mangold said that was a "strictly phony" doctrine.

"It is suggestive of Marshall Goering's philosophy in summing up the aims of the Nazi state as 'guns, not butter,'" he said. "Certainly that is not the kind of doctrine to rally people to democracy."

Mary Lucile McGorkey, president of the New York District of the State, County and Municipal Workers, CIO, brought a wave of applause from the crowded chamber as she lashed into the Governor's proposal as "a rock-bottom budget, which does not reflect the needs of the people of the state."

In the most detailed analysis of the afternoon Miss McGorkey attacked the Governor's \$7,000,000 cut in the relief appropriation, his slash of two per cent in state aid to education and his refusal to grant substantial part of the increases sought by various state departments.

4-POINT PROGRAM

A nurse by profession, Miss McGorkey went into vivid detail on the situation in various state institutions, pointing out that in some mental hospitals attendants had to serve as many as 110 patients in a single ward. Answering the argument that the unions seek expenditures without proposing means of collecting new revenue, Miss McGorkey proposed a four-point tax program:

- 1-Raising the state personal income tax in the upper brackets.
- 2-Raising the estate tax rate.
- 3-Raising the state and national bank and insurance company franchise tax rate.
- 4-Raising the higher income corporate tax rate.

SQUELCHES SENATOR

Earlier in the afternoon Dr. Bella Dodd, legislative representative of the State Federation of Teachers, AFL, neatly squelched Senate majority leader Joe Hanley, Wyoming County Republican. After hearing Teachers Union representatives from various parts of the state assail the two per cent cut in state aid, Senator Hanley rose to his feet.

"I want to make the record clear," he said, addressing his remarks to Dr. Dodd, who had introduced the Teachers Union delegates. "If the Governor who proposes keeping the two per cent cut, not the legislature—isn't that so?"

"Yes," responded Dr. Dodd, smiling, "but you can call his bluff. Vote down the legislation incorporating the two per cent cut and then pass a supplemental budget."

Mr. Hanley sat down, at a loss for an answer. Of the total of 165 scheduled speakers at the hearing, more than 130 were opposed to the budget. These represented virtually every CIO union, the State CIO and AFL, practically every teachers organization in the state and numerous civic and fraternal groups.

BEGIN ON LIST

Isidore Begun, state legislative representative of the Communist Party, was placed last on the list. Opposition to the budget was also voiced by eight representatives of automobile and related industries because of the government's reduction of the highway appropriations.

What accounted, in part, for the relatively small turnout of the large taxpayers' organizations was the fact, openly admitted by some, that they had won most of their battle in the governor's original budget. Shepherded by George McCaffrey of the Merchants Association most of the business groups demanded further reductions in the name of national defense. All opposed payment to conscripted civilian servants of a differential between their present pay and their army pay as "class legislation."

It was left to youngish William Martin Jr., president of the New York Stock Exchange, to bring snorts of derision to spectators with his plea for help for "one of New York's largest industries."

Fruits of Dubinsky's Social-Democratic 'Efficiency Unionism' 35-Hour Week Sacrificed, Increased Speedup in Dress Shops

By George Morris

Dress shop chairmen, called to Hotel Capitol after work today to hear what their officials accomplished in negotiations for a new contract, will learn:

1—The five-hour overtime allowance without extra pay, will in effect, raise the 35-hour week to 40 hours.

2—The "Hochman Plan" for "efficiency" to turn out more dresses at less cost, was accepted.

3—The union is tied to a "promotion" plan jointly with the employers to which it pledges \$100,000 a year.

4—Wage increases were not asked for, although as the union revealed, earnings in the city average \$18 to \$24 weekly.

The Daily Worker, interviewing rank and file active members of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, found that even those who expected the worst were dismayed by the outcome.

One dress operator who has been in the union since World War days put it this way:

"It's the fruits of Social Democracy. I have seen this sort of thing happen several times, but this time it is probably the most outrageous settlement that has ever been engineered."

MAY SIGN TOMORROW

Formal signing of the new pact with four of the five employers' associations, is scheduled prior to the Feb. 15 deadline. A fifth association, the United Better Dress Manufacturers Assn., consisting of 700 contractors, is still balking, apparently pressing for more concessions. Julius Hochman, manager

of the Dress Joint Board, hinted that a strike may be called against them.

This contract will mark the first time since 1916 that the union signed a contract increasing hours over the previous pact. Overtime, abolished in 1933 as a measure to combat sweat-shop conditions, is now restored. The operators and other place-workers, over 80 per cent of the workers, will be paid single time.

"Women's Wear Daily," trade journal, reports this point as follows:

"Actually, the latest change in the collective agreements places the New York market on a 40-hour week. Dress men hailed the step and felt that labor was seeing eye to eye with management by creating a certain amount of flexibility in the hour limit of the industry's workers."

With workers all over the country demanding and receiving wage increases, why should low-paid dress workers have to yield so much and get nothing? This is the question on the bewildered faces of thousands in the dress market.

TAYLORISM FOR INDUSTRY

The union officials make their claims as follows: The grievances of the workers are primarily due to the lack of "efficiency" in the industry. Introduction of "modern" management in the shops is the primary remedy so that New York manufacturers can underbid those of other markets and get greater business. The worker, admittedly would be yielding a greater output for the same wage, but more work is promised. As an additional incentive to drum up a market for New York,

the union's officials agreed to contribute \$100,000 a year to a \$1,500,000 advertising campaign.

The contract to be signed contains an "efficiency" clause providing for a conference some months later at which an "efficiency standard" including time-study methods, for shops, is to be worked out and a machinery arranged to enforce it.

The union's officials, charging that the employers have failed to become "efficient" undertake to force them to become so. The union is to embark on the "Hillman Plan" road which has proven so disastrous to the men's clothing workers. Following publication in the Daily Worker of a critical analysis of the "Hochman Plan" (Jan. 8) and editorials, officials of the ILGWU plunged into a frenzy of red-baiting. They called membership meetings of Local 22, quite obviously in an effort to meet the criticism, but only to discover how cold the members are to their plan. The Daily Worker was singled out for attack for opposing this anti-labor scheme.

RED-BAITING AS COVER

A later stage in the negotiations, when employers balked on the efficiency clause formulation and some angry words developed between them and Hochman, the latter issued a press statement that "the only ones opposed to our constructive suggestions are the communists and the employers."

The writer put this to one of the leaders of the rank and file in Italian Dressmakers Local 89 of which the notorious red-baiter Luigi Antonini is manager.

"Well, what do you expect," he said, "Antonini, every time he gets mad he hollers 'communism.' Hochman is the same way."

The truth is that the employers took Mr. Hochman's plan seriously and wanted to put it through a little faster than he deemed advisable, especially in view of the strong opposition in the union. On Jan. 29 when the disagreement between the union and employers was announced, the spokesmen of the United Popular and United Better Dress associations, issued a joint statement in the Women's Wear as follows:

"We want and need efficiency but not a mere clause. It is untrue that our organizations did not present counter demands on efficiency to the union. On the contrary, for the past two weeks we have repeatedly requested the union for the right to install special machines which will ENABLE US TO MANUFACTURE DRESSES IN A BETTER AND MORE EFFICIENT MANNER AND AT A CHEAPER COST. To these demands a deaf ear has been turned." (Our emphasis).

The employers want to carry the plan to its logical course, while the Daily Worker warned against the entire scheme as one that will cause additional unemployment, turn the union into one of being a manager for the employers instead of a weapon for the workers, and eventually, as in the clothing industry, will bring standards down to a still lower level.

The Daily Worker's warning that competition with the out-New York areas would sharpen as a result of the "Hochman plan" received a

clear-cut confirmation in the current issue of "Justice" official organ of the ILGWU, in an article by Meyer Perlstein, vice-president and Southwest Regional Director.

He describes how he has been "struggling and quarrelling" with the employer of the Juvenile Co. at San Antonio and finally convinced him to introduce the "efficiency" plan. He then continues:

"An active union member and a worker in the shop, Henrietta Stokholm, was trained in time and motion study at the expense of the company and the union. She spent several months in St. Louis ATTENDING THE UNION CLASS. On her return to San Antonio she began systematizing the most complicated department."

"At the same time Harold Scheer, a young executive on the firm's staff, took a course in time and motion study and was ready to work with Miss Stokholm upon her return. Their result has been almost miraculous."

"The entire atmosphere in the shop has been changed. Shop committee meetings are held regularly, with every member of the committee talking freely and making constructive suggestions to increase earnings and PRODUCTION. Miss Stokholm has not as yet had the opportunity to systematize the entire shop, but from the little that has already been accomplished the company has fully realized the advantages of dealing constructively with the union. The company today does not hesitate to express its gratification with the result." (Our emphasis).

This is one of David Dubinsky's vice-presidents talking, describing how out-New York markets — the markets the Hochman plan is supposed to swing to New York, are already applying the "efficiency" plan. He boasts of a temporary advantage for the workers there. But soon New York production will cheapen sufficiently, and their work will swing east. San Antonio thereupon, will have to bring its speed-up a couple of notches higher, and New York will again follow, with the limit anybody's guess.

Is there any wonder, therefore, that the officials of the ILGWU have been accepted into "high society" with praise for them appearing in editorials of the Times, Wall St. Journal and business magazines? Employers all patiently listen as Mr. Hochman lectures to them on the new "efficiency" unionism.

The union which has such militant tradition, once looked up as among the most advanced labor organizations, was never paid such "honors." But the praise really goes only for the top officials for the wonderful job they are doing of taking the teeth out of a powerful labor organization. For the membership, the employers and their mouthpieces, have the same contempt, policemen's clubs and gangsters that they directed against them during militant struggles.

The officialdom of the ILGWU chose to plunge the workers into this break-neck policy, against the proposals of the rank and file leaders, which could have put the union on the road to real progress.

The rank and file proposed in substance that the weekly theoretical wage minimums a piece worker is supposed to earn according to the contract, should be guaranteed. In the case of contract work, the jobber, the large employer who gives out the work, should give the guarantee.

Coupled with strict enforcement of such policy in New York, the union should devote at least a part of its six to seven million dollar treasury, to a REAL drive to organize the unorganized (and there are thousands to organize even in the metropolitan area) so as to bring the entire industry nationally under union standards. The rank and file pointed out that now there is a real opportunity to put this "dream" of the dress workers through.

But, it is further stressed, such program requires the mobilization of all the resources of the union and a united membership. It would require democracy in the organization, with the gates wide

Dressmakers Are Fed Up With 'Efficiency' Scheme

Workers Correspondence Department:

World events had terrific repercussions on our union leadership as well as on our membership. Ever since the beginning of the war our leaders have been doing their best to create hysteria in the ranks of our members. Somehow, they have not been able to accomplish much.

At present however, when the U.S.A. is getting more involved in this war, these gentlemen try to worm themselves into the hearts of the war mongering clique. Their past policy of "do nothing for the membership" has pleased them very much. With the exception of making an occasional fine speech in order to deceive the membership into believing that they are doing something they have never done a thing.

At this time a new agreement has to be signed for the dressmakers. Our leadership has found it very practical to preach cooperation. At our last membership meeting our manager Brother Zimmerman told us the advantages which will be ours in our new agreement.

Point one was efficiency. According to Brother Zimmerman "efficiency" will help to create centralization in our trade. As far as we know, the mens' clothing industry has established efficiency many years ago, and as far as we know the steel industry, the coal industry, etc., have efficiency. Have any of these industries been able to eliminate unemployment? Do the workers earn more? Have they longer seasons? Of course not. What they do have is speed-up and a starvation wage.

The second point in our new agreement calls for "promotion." That, in plain English means that the union and the manufacturers will advertise our wares in the press and tell the American woman that they can buy dresses if they have money.

HYPOCRISY

What a panacea for our trade! What hypocrisy to the part of our union leadership, in order to mislead the membership. Since when can workers buy if they don't earn enough? We dressmakers need shoes, suits, coats and many other things—things which are well advertised by leading stores and manufacturers. Can we buy? Of course not.

When a union has nothing to offer its membership but the policy of going into the advertising field and an "efficiency" program, then it is time to take stock of who its leaders really are. At our meetings they promise us manna from heaven. In the shops the manufacturers install special machinery, the workers don't earn the fixed scale and many shops are having reorganizations throwing hundreds of

If the Bosses Don't Like Them, They Must Be OK

Minneapolis, Minn.

Workers Correspondence Department:

We, the members of Local No. 665, Miscellaneous Workers, A. F. of L., now on strike at the Miller Cafeteria in Minneapolis, having each received in the mail a letter

from the Restaurant Association designed to bring about a reputation of our union leadership by inference that our organizers are Communists, do hereby make the following declaration in joint meeting assembled.

1) We regard this letter as a flimsy device intended to divert us from the struggle for our just strike demands; we point out that it is sent by the organization of employers who are doing everything possible to defeat our efforts, and that it is based upon the testimony of a stool pigeon before the Dies Committee whose anti-labor bias and activities are well-known.

2) The policy of our Union, as an American organization devoted to the welfare of the working people, is to recognize and defend the rights of our members to freedom of political association as equally irrevocable as the freedom of speech, worship and assembly.

3) We test and select our fellow workers and our leaders, not by creed, race, or political affiliation, but by their loyalty and service to the needs and best interests of our membership.

4) We declare our complete confidence in the organizers and entire leadership of our union, who have faithfully and courageously been working to improve the conditions of Miller Cafeteria employees along with those of all workers in the hotel and restaurant industries.

5) We repudiate the un-American effort of the Restaurant Association to interfere in the internal affairs of our union, and to urge upon us interference with the political views of any of our members who are loyal to the cause of our organization.

6) Since the restaurant owners seem to recognize the benefit of organization, having themselves banded together in the Association, we would suggest that in the future they communicate any thoughts they may have directly to our organization, Local 665 of the Miscellaneous Workers Union. We might suggest further that it would be more appropriate for the Restaurant Association to reply to the just demands for which we are striking than to meddle in our union affairs.

Unanimously adopted by Miller Strikers.

workers into the streets.

Our union leadership doesn't like a militant membership. They are fully satisfied with the status quo, so why ask for a living wage for us "poor fish." They tell us this is not the time to ask for wage increases, anyone who does so is a fifth columnist, a traitor to our country and that we don't understand the times. But our leaders understand the times quite well. They ask themselves for wage increases, and get them too.

Our leadership are past masters in the art of creating pogrom incitement at membership meetings and they know how to utilize the opportunity at such times. Members are made to sit through an hour and a half of Zimmerman's vituperations and then a few of his cohorts get up and deliver some more slanderous remarks on those who do not ap-

prove of their "do nothing" policy. When a rank and file member gets up to speak he is interrupted so many times that the members have no idea of what he is saying. The result is that members get disgusted at such procedure and leave the meeting hall.

That, my dear dressmakers, is our state of affairs at the present time. A state of pessimism has come into our ranks which is very tragic and fatal to our union. We must make our leaders aware that their tactics are leading us to destruction. We want a strong and fighting union. We want democracy to prevail at our local meetings thus giving rank and file members a chance to express themselves—not leaders only.

Forward to a strong and healthy union.

A DRESSMAKER.

Michigan Klan Spurs Jim Crow In Schools

Ferndale, Mich.

Workers Correspondence Dept.:

For many years the Negro people of Ferndale, Michigan, have been struggling against discrimination. Jim Crowism is practiced here. In this small community, eight miles from Detroit, is centered the activity of the Ku Klux Klan. Last year the Negroes were terrorized and threatened by the burning of crosses on their front lawns. This year the terrorization has taken a different form due to labor and progressive group protests. Children in the schools are now being discriminated against due to Klan activities.

One school which has 90 to 95 per cent Negroes enrolled has practiced the policy of Jim Crowism since the school was first commenced. The policy of Jim Crowism has been to segregate the Negroes and whites wherever possible. This school also has the serious problem of overcrowding. The students attend school only half days and the classes are so large that there is no individual attention given.

These are the issues around which the students recently went on strike. The student strikers stated that they would not return to school until their demands were met. The Board of Education is being forced to consider the serious discrimination policy that is running rampant in Ferndale and in other Detroit schools.

IN DETROIT SCHOOLS

Other examples may be cited in the schools located in the industrial centers of Michigan. Miller High School in Detroit, whose composition in enrollment is nearly 90 per cent Negro has no provision for a gym, an auditorium or swimming pool. The Negro boys asked for their own football team last year but were flatly refused.

Northwestern High School, which was the scene of a series of assaults and attacks on Negro students last year to the extent that the case received nation-wide publicity, continues its discrimination against Negro students openly to this day. Because the faculty will not permit any interracial organizations the Negroes formed their own club, but the principal gave strict instructions to the teachers that no one should sponsor the group. The club has been forced to hold meetings outside of the school building.

The Detroit Youth Assembly Education Commission has been investigating conditions and issuing public reports and are now planning neighborhood actions to combat the rank discrimination in Northwest High School.

—R. J.



Cites Example Of Hillman's Misleadership

Milwaukee, Wis.

Workers Correspondence Dept.:

Seventy-five workers of the Holeproof Hosiery Mill are suing the company for two years of voluntary wage deductions. These pay deductions, amounting to a 14 per cent wage cut, were handed over to the company under terms of an agreement entered into with Branch 16, Hosiery Workers Union, to be used to buy modern machinery so that Holeproof could compete better with Southern open shop mills. The pay deductions were sold to the workers by the Social Democratic leadership of the Union on the grounds that this would make the workers' jobs more secure and prevent lay-offs.

After two years this policy of "cooperating" with the employer has borne its fruit. Last Oct. 15 the entire department of 30 gauge machines were dismantled and all the workers laid off. In order to keep from having to pay for unemployment insurance for these men the company offered to get them jobs in other factories paying a dollar or two more than the unemployment insurance benefits.

The agreement between the Union and the company specifically forbids any discharges due to the introduction of new machinery. But a clause in the contract allows the company to discharge any department if it proves "unprofitable." This joker in the contract provided the loophole for the company to discharge these workers. Rank and file union members openly state that had the Union leadership put up any sort of a fight the company would not have dared to discharge these men.

Meanwhile, the discharged workers have gotten together, hired an attorney, and are now suing the company for their two year wage deductions. Under terms of the national three-year contract between the Hosiery Workers Union and the manufacturers providing for compulsory arbitration, these workers have the right to appeal for reinstatement to their jobs to the impartial Chairman of the industry. But so little faith have the workers in the impartial Chairman (who in previous decisions has a very partial record of favoring the employers) that they prefer to take their chances suing for back wages in open court.

—Milwaukee Hosiery Worker.

Workers Correspondence

From Factories, Farms, Mines, Mills and Office



'GWTW' Is Slight Breeze, He Says

Kansas City, Mo.

Workers Correspondence Department:

Kansas City is now witnessing for the second time "Gone With the Wind." It seems that this classic of America's reactionaries is not doing the rush business that was expected.

In preparation for landslide business, the Loew's Midland Theatre cancelled all time off for their regular ushers, and made arrangements for 18 additional. All of us (about 30) were told to report and be ready to go on the floor at 9 o'clock Friday morning.

While we waited, we extras did some checking on pay and schedules. We found that we were to be paid only 30 cents an hour, and that regular ushers only received 35, and seldom worked more than 35 hours per week. It seemed that ushers do not get rich very fast.

As the ushers went back and forth we learned that the expected audience was not showing up. By 10 o'clock it was very obvious that the people were not going to flock to see the picture. We spent another half hour raising one another about the great audience which didn't come. At 10:30 the manager came down. "Well, boys," he said, "when we get a customer I'll let you know." At 11 o'clock the manager sent word to us to come upstairs and wait in the back row of the theatre. By 11:30 there were about 200 persons in the theatre. The show started and the manager took us up to the top row of the balcony to wait.

We sat in the top row balcony and watched the cartoon, the newsreel and a short on bubonic plague. We waited while Scarlett O'Hara flirted and got married. We were still waiting when Scarlett got widowed and married again. Finally, the manager called us out and said that he did not have the crowd expected, and would not be able to use most of us. I went back to my seat, finished the rest of the picture, and went home at 4:30. I had spent over six hours in the theatre and lost 75 cents which I was sure of making had I been free.

Although the people fail them, Loew's Midland and Margaret Mitchell's slaveowners are kindred souls. However that may be, the people in Kansas City don't seem to be in any great hurry to see "Gone With the Wind."

USHER.

Farmers See 'Poor Market' In Bread Lines

Hasty, Minn.

Workers Correspondence Dept.:

The farmers out here in this part of the country are showing little or no enthusiasm for the Roosevelt war program. The farmers realize that this is again a rich man's war, a large part of the cost which will be paid by the farmers.

Farm values have been forced down until today farms can be bought for less than the cost of buildings and other improvements, however farms are taxed on the basis of war time values. The one basic fact that farmers must understand is that there can be no permanent solution for the farm problem under the present capitalist profit system. In the past farmers have put their faith in capitalist-minded politicians; for 160 years these capitalist politicians have been in complete control of the political power and if they were not able to prevent this crisis how can any sane person expect them to remedy something they were not able to prevent.

We are witnessing today the disintegration of the economic system under which we live, for capitalism has outlived its usefulness and is now in a process of decay. In the old world capitalism has reached a stage of decay where it can be maintained only by force, violence and war; in our own country capitalism has failed to the extent that it can no longer maintain countless millions of our people above a coolie living standard. John L. H. E.

'Bundles for ...'

The war Party and its adherents of all shades, from Roosevelt and his buddy Willie, to Hillman and his buddy Green, are whooping it up for "Bundles for Britain."

The Workers Correspondence page suggests that its readers take this "bundle" slogan and turn it into something worth while. So we propose that every correspondent to this page adopts the slogan:

"Bundles For Better Working Conditions."

Order your bundle when you send in your letter.

Put the Daily Worker in the hands of your shop-mates.

Police Bureau Treats Hackles With Iron Hand

New York, N. Y.

Workers Correspondence Dept.:

While at the Hack Bureau to answer a summons, I saw one hackie get suspended five days for crashing. Such stiff sentences are handed out every day despite the fact that the Hack Bureau claims to understand our problems.

We work only on commission and are thus forced into competition against each other in an unregulated chaotic industry. It's a fight every minute you're on the street. In many cases it's either chisel or get chiseled. The taxi driver who sits at a stand waiting for a call, is soon fired for long bookings at shape-up time.

Sometimes when that extra call means a bottle of milk next morning, you get desperate. That's when you wind up at the Hack Bureau, where the captain on the bench is your judge, jury, and prosecutor. He drags out your record of minor violations piled up over the years and uses it against you. Two hackies committing the same offense seldom get the same punishment.

Our splendid Transport Workers Union is trying to get legislation passed which would eradicate many of the above conditions. Only when this is achieved with the strength of our growing membership, will we be able to work decent hours, and stop "stick-up, shape-up." I. S.



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White Workers Back Negro's Fight for Job

Solidarity of Union Men in Support of Negro Member Breaks Jim-Crow Policy of Many Years at Lane Bryant

George Pride, young Negro, of 224 W. 114th St., until last week was just another of Harlem's thousands of jobless. Today he is employed at the Lane Bryant Co., 529 W. 42nd St., dealers in women's apparel, and has been getting along well with all the workers for over a week.

Behind this is a story—a story of solidarity and struggle, released yesterday by William Gaudin, of the National Negro Congress.

Lane Bryant is under a contract with Local 65, United Wholesale and Warehouse Employees, CIO, covering 350 workers. The contract provides hiring through the union. The firm needed a clerk and asked for one.

Next on the hiring list was George Pride — AND HE WAS SENT. But the firm refused to hire him.

Confronted by a committee of the National Negro Congress, headed by Gaudin, the manager of the company said:

"The management of the firm is satisfied with the policy which has proven satisfactory to the public for many years."

WORKERS BACK DEMAND

Gaudin referred the manager to the recent message of Gov. Lehman where even he had noted that racial discrimination should be combated.

Gaudin further informed him that the company's statement was "of a piece with the statement of a Navy officer when confronted recently with the charge of discrimination in the armed forces," who also replied that "the old policy was satisfactory for past generations and good enough now."

So Leo Rosenberg, organizer of Local 65, called a meeting of the 350 workers and explained to them that the discrimination policy of the company is aimed against the union. The workers backed the demand that Pride be hired 100 per cent.

"When the personnel manager

saw," said Gaudin, "that his employees were not part of that attitude, he talked turkey with the delegation."

"Pride is now working as a clerk and stated that he is getting along fine with the employees."

In a letter to Arthur Osman, President of Local 65, Gaudin wrote:

"Such action on the part of your union in cooperation with the Negro people is the only answer to the job problem of the Negro workers and a guarantee of a better living standard for all American workers. Management is using the past weakness of the trade unions to weaken the entire trade union movement."

Gaudin noted that there are "certain unions" which are still influenced by such "weaknesses." "What we have accomplished together," he continued, "in getting a job for Mr. Pride, I hope, will serve as a medium to awaken all trade unions to this responsibility. The National Negro Congress at the present time is trying to cement such relationship with the other trade unions as the one we enjoy. The Pride case was a victory and a beginning."

Gaudin also made public a reply he received from Osman, which said:

"We feel that such solidarity between white and Negro will do a lot to strengthen our union. The Lane Bryant workers recognize that as long as discrimination against Negroes exists the employers will have a weapon to divide labor's ranks. We pledge to fight discrimination in all of our shops."



Gale Lashes California: Huge waves lash the Encinal Yacht Club property in Alameda, Calif., as one of the worst gales in years sweeps the coast of California. The high wind was accompanied by torrential rain, causing floods in many low-lying sections. Heavy property damage was reported.

Ohio Alliance Pushes Relief Bill in Legislature

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, Feb. 12.—A bill to establish a uniform minimum standard of direct or work relief in Ohio, and which outlaws refusal of relief to workers on strike, has been introduced in the State Legislature by State Senator Arch M. Barrett of Dayton, Lowell Watson, president of the Ohio Workers' Alliance, announced today.

The measure, S. B. 26, is based on a draft bill sent to all members of the Legislature and drawn up by the Workers' Alliance last October.

The Ohio bill, which is an amendment to the State Code, provides for a relief payment of "not less than ten dollars per week for the first person plus \$2.50 per week for each dependent in family units, and not less than ten dollars per week for a single person or married person living apart from his or her spouse." Payment of such relief is in cash and payable at least semi-monthly.

The bill provides that persons cannot be refused relief for the following reasons:

1. If he refuses to accept employment not in his usual occupation or for which he is not fit to perform;
2. If he is on strike, locked out or engaged in any labor dispute;
3. If he refuses to accept employment that would require him to join a company union or would interfere with his retaining membership in any labor organization;
4. If he refuses to accept employment where a strike, lockout or labor dispute is in progress.

Jersey Labor Menaced By 'Anti-Sabotage' Laws

State AFL Officials, Hillmanites Offer Little Opposition to Measures—Senate Hearings Rushed to Dodge Union Protests

(Special to the Daily Worker)

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 12.—Reaction went into high gear this week in its drive to enact into law a series of anti-labor "sabotage" bills and encountered little opposition from the top officials of the State Federation of Labor and the Hillman followers who head the State CIO and Labor's Non-Partisan League.

Republican Alfred E. Driscoll, majority leader in the state Senate, introduced the bills a week ago, and in his capacity as chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, rushed public hearings on the measures this week with inadequate time for labor to muster its opposition.

Copies of the bills were not made available until 10 minutes before the start of hearings last Monday. It is expected that the bills will come up for passage in the Legislature on Feb. 17.

At the public hearings Louis P. Marcante, president of the State Federation of Labor, and Thomas Parsonnet, AFL counsel, announced themselves as "neither proponents nor opponents" of the measures, and contented themselves with offering suggestions for amendments. Irving Abramson, president of the State CIO, said he was sure the author of the bills was acting "in good faith" to "limit sabotage."

Morris Isersman, spokesman for Labor's Non-Partisan League, described the bills as "deliberate attempts to hinder labor," but when he was chided for his strong language made haste to apologize for "impugning the motives of the gentlemen who propose these bills." County Judge Richard Hartshorne, who assisted in conducting the hearing, disclosed that the measures were drafted in collaboration with the Roosevelt administration over a period of many months.

Carl Holderman, state chairman of Labor's Non-Partisan League, declared that "not even in England has such legislation been passed." He charged that New Jersey was again being made a "guinea pig"

for anti-labor legislation. But he pointed out that he is "in full accord and full sympathy with the efforts at national defense."

A spokesman for the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen read a statement opposing the measures. It is announced that on Feb. 17, the day the bills are expected to be voted upon, the legislature will convene in the afternoon instead of in the evening as usual. This change is seen as an effort to prevent a large attendance at the sessions by rank and file workers.

Minor to Speak At Bronx Rally

Robert Minor, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, will address a mass meeting tonight in protest against the recent massacre of thousands of Jews in Rumania. The meeting will be held at the Community Center, 683 Allerton Ave., at 8 o'clock, and is sponsored by the Communist Party of the 6th Assembly District, Bronx.

Carpenters Strike at Alaska Naval Base

DUTCH HARBOR, Alaska, Feb. 12 (UP).—Work on the Navy's new base here was halted today when carpenters struck in a demand that they be paid the local scale. Their pay and the scale they are demanding was not revealed.

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Green Makes a Dangerous Proposal

• William Green announced the other day the Executive Council's opposition to all anti-strike legislation. But in the same breath, Green advocated creation of machinery similar to that of the National War Labor Board of the last war.

If one is sincerely opposed to curbs on the right to strike, then how can he advocate another National War Labor Board? For the cardinal principle of the War Labor Board was the banning of strike action. Under the guise of maintaining the "status quo," the Board froze existing wage scales—which actually meant a wage cut since living costs were soaring. Under the guise of creating a "partnership" between labor and capital, the labor chiefs and the capitalists went into open partnership to keep the rank and file from getting their due.

Of course, the Executive Council is not opposed to destroying the right to strike. In fact, the struggle of the workers for better conditions has had no sterner foes over the years than the Executive Council. More recently, the Council members have attempted to ban strikes in the building and metal trades (without even consulting the workers who, of course, would never agree to giving up their rights). And only the other day, Green launched a red-baiting attack on the CIO strikes for higher wages in the "defense" industries.

If the AFL chiefs are opposed to anti-strike legislation, it is only because they don't want to see anyone else take over their jobs of keeping the labor movement in chains.

The unions must oppose not only all anti-strike and compulsory arbitration legislation, but also all schemes to hog-tie labor through such machinery as the old War Labor Board.

Congress Votes Free Reign To a Notorious Fascist

• In the overwhelming vote to extend the life of the un-American Dies Committee, Congress branded itself. The six Representatives, among them the courageous Vito Marcantonio, who voted no, although their number was small, really voiced the interests of the American people in defending their liberties.

Congressman Dickstein told the widely-known truth when he charged that "110 Fascist organizations in this country have the keys to the backdoor of the Dies Committee." But instead of acting on the basis of this truth, Congress attacked free speech within its own chambers by expunging Dickstein's statement from the record. Meanwhile, any old lie or slander which Dies utters against the trade unions or peace-lovers is eagerly smeared upon the record, in the manner of the irresponsible capitalist press.

It is now apparent that the Dies Committee, with its red-baiting and labor-hating, has the full backing of the Roosevelt Administration and both major parties. It shows that neither is interested in fighting fascism. In fact, the FBI is vying with the Committee for Gestapo honors.

Literally hundreds of trade unions, civic organizations and outstanding public-spirited citizens have condemned the Dies outfit and urged its disbandment. But it is clear that Congress cannot be relied upon to carry out the public mandate. The people alone, relying upon their own independent action and increased vigilance, will have to intensify the fight against the Committee if their cherished liberties are to be preserved.

Pétain and Franco

• Reports in the press of a meeting between Marshal Pétain and General Franco, recall an earlier meeting of the two fascist militarists. This was when Pétain went to Spain as ambassador of the Daladier government to help place the seal upon the destruction of the Loyalist government.

Had the governments of Great Britain, France and the United States not connived to shackle Loyalists when they were valiantly fighting against Hitler and Mussolini, there would today be no General Franco, no Marshal Pétain and—above all—no imperialist war raging in Europe and Africa.

The Figures Tell A Different Story

• When William Knudsen first warned of a big "lag" in the "defense" program, the Daily Worker was highly skeptical. It declared that the cry of "lag" was conceivably being raised only in order to speed-up labor and without regard to the facts.

Evidence now appears to substantiate this belief. In his "speed-up, 7-day week," speech before the National Association of Manufacturers on Dec. 13, Knudsen declared that the plans for production of 1,000 planes in January would have to be scaled down by 30 per cent to be correct.

Well, January is over and the figures released by the OPM tell a different story. Instead of the 660 planes which Knudsen predicted when he called for further sacrifices by labor, plane production actually totalled between 900 and 1,000 in January.

It is clear that people in high authority have been trying to deceive labor—not only as to the real meaning of the "defense" program—but also as to the speed with which the program is being carried out.

A Weird One About 'Honest Abe'

• We had expected that there would be efforts made yesterday, Lincoln Day, to confuse the people about Abraham Lincoln. But we confess that we were not prepared for the dish which the Harvard University professor of History, Albert Bushnell Hart, whipped up yesterday.

It seems that the whole country is crazy. Lincoln did not come from poor parents. He was descended from "landed gentry," says the Professor.

The professor sniped at "writers who try to make Lincoln out a 'poor white.'" He rebuked the nation for having "placed the accent on Lincoln's poverty."

This beats all. It seems that even the very idea that the plain, poor, laboring people of America can produce a great man is a dangerous idea. Only the "gentry" are allowed to produce great men. If anything shows that the wealthy classes and their professors are still afraid of "Honest Abe" it is such incidents. The press says Professor Hart is called "Bushy." He should be called "Wacky."

A Victory for The Unemployed

• In re-establishing the right to represent its members before the New York WPA Administration, the Workers Alliance has won a victory for the unemployed and for free trade unionism.

When Congress passed the witch-hunting law barring Communists from WPA jobs, Administrator Somervell immediately showed its true meaning by refusing to recognize Alliance representatives on the ground that they were "Communists." (Communists, of course, have just as much right to serve as spokesmen as any other chosen representatives of the citizenry.) Somervell thus demonstrated that this fascist law was aimed at penalizing any workers or organizations insisting upon adequate work relief against the war-economy of the Roosevelt Administration.

The long, hard fight of the Alliance has now brought fruit in the statement of Acting Administrator Gottschalk that WPA workers "have the right to be represented by persons of their own choice." The achievement is all the more important in view of the relief-cutting program stemming from Washington, Albany and the LaGuardia Administration. It should be a tremendous spur to the fight for the needs of the unemployed, and to the fight to repeal the witch-hunting WPA law. Through its staunch and persistent struggles, the Workers Alliance has justified once more its right to the widest support of the jobless and the general public.

A Proud Occasion

• It will be with great pride that the Daily Worker will celebrate on March 7 Mike Gold's twenty-five years of literary activity in the labor movement.

An outstanding figure in the literary world, Mike has given his talents for almost 10 years to the campaigns of this paper in all fields and especially in its attempts to realize the cultural aspirations of the people.

All friends and admirers of Mike will want to join in this celebration at Manhattan Center. They will not only be paying tribute to a great and warm writer, but will also be expressing solidarity with the paper of which Mike's name has become a very part.



THE HERALD-TRIBUNE EDITORS OBSERVE LINCOLN DAY

• The Lincoln Day editorial of the Herald-Tribune featured a shocking defense of Secretary Stimson who last Monday contemptuously dismissed a youth delegation protesting discrimination against the Negro people in the armed forces.

Such discrimination, segregation, jim-crowism and numerous examples of lynch justice—which have been carried over into and intensified by the spurious "defense" program—are merely the "folkways of a nation," says Wall Street's homespun pretender to the "Lincoln tradition." This slander of the American people is, of course, a defense of the guilty poll tax dictatorship in the South as well as an attempt to whitewash the imperialist character of the "national defense" program.

Seventy five years after Lincoln freed the slaves, Secretary Stimson informed the delegation from the American Youth Congress delegation that he was "the first Secretary of War to have appointed" a Negro Brigadier General. In this attempted defense of himself he condemns all previous administrations, including Hoover's where he sat as Secretary of State. But even this appointment, which does not begin to touch the

discrimination against the Negro rank and file, was handed out during the elections to quiet the justified and rising indignation of the Negro people against the Hitlerism of the "defense" program.

Stimson, in fact, gave official confirmation to the jim-crow policies of the War Department by telling the youth of a special segregated air unit which is to be set up for the Negroes. The very purpose of discrimination in and out of the military forces is to impose inferior conditions upon Negro citizens and to promote "racial superiority" poison towards them. The proposed jim-crow air corps is of a piece with the un-American segregation which pervades the army and navy, and which exposes President Roosevelt's deceitful motto of "upholding democracy."

Folkways of the American people rest upon the tradition of fair play, democracy and justice. Wall Street and its war-bent Administration in Washington are trying to destroy these pillars in a wave of war hysteria. For Americans, the Lincoln tradition means a complete abolition of discrimination against the Negro people, not only in the military forces, but also in civilian life.

Letters from Our Readers

H.R. 1776 Would Blackout Civil Liberties, Peace for America

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

As one of the multitude strongly opposed to the "lend-lease" bill, I have sent the following letter to my Representative:

"H.R. 1776, the 'lend-lease' bill, means only to lend the lives of our fathers, sweethearts and brothers for misery, death and destruction. And the meaning of the bill is to lease our freedom, civil liberties and democracy. We as champions of freedom and democracy must defeat H.R. 1776, for it means a blackout of the things we hold dearer than life."

P.R.

Revealing Commentary on British Imperialist Rule

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In the Feb. 4 issue of P.M. there appeared a photograph of Australian soldiers being paid their wages for participating in the murder of fellow human beings for the benefit of the British imperialists. Underneath was a caption which said that the Australians, being unable to read or write, signed for the money, by making a mark with their thumbs.

I think that is a revealing commentary on the nature of British imperialist rule. An enthusiastic rooster for Churchill when shown this picture shrugged it off by saying, "Oh, those Australians never wanted to learn anything, and besides they're paid to fight, not to read." He coldly admitted that the Australians were not fighting for democracy, nor for themselves, but for the glory of the Empire. And the American people too, I suppose will soon have that honor.

L.A.

'Un-American, Inhuman and Disastrous'

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following is an open letter to the President of the United States:

"Ten million people are still unemployed, two-thirds of the nation starving, undernourished, living in slums with hardly any decent clothes on their bodies, as you yourself not very long ago stated. Knowing all these tragic facts you gave the sign to give the Churchills three billion dollars.

"Would it not be real democracy to apply the three billion dollars to give jobs to the starving, elimi-

nate slums, medical care to the needy children in our own country?"

"It is still fresh in the minds of the American people, your vigorous fight to put through the present Neutrality Act, which is now quite obvious, was merely to help the same Hitler and Mussolini of today, to annihilate millions of liberty loving Spaniards and establish there the brutal benchmark and dictator, Franco. Now then, you are again vigorously fighting to 'squash' the same Neutrality Act in order to help England!"

"Incidentally you say you are fighting to crush dictators, then how do you account for the hundred million dollars recently given to Franco? Surely, you would not make us believe that Franco is a democrat!"

"Loans to England directly or indirectly would be un-American, inhuman and disastrous to the American people."

"We urge you to prohibit any loans to England, which if granted would only mean a prolongation of this mad butchery for endless years."

P.P.

Says Every American Should Protest Lend-Lease Bill

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

One hundred and sixty-five years ago Richard Henry Lee introduced in the Continental Congress a momentous resolution which stated, "That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states, that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British crown, and that political connection between them and the state of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved." Shortly after the Declaration of Independence was made known to the world.

Today the President and the Congress seem to be of one mind in the sorry business of jeopardizing the freedom and independence of this country by their enormous undertaking of trying to salvage at whatever costs the badly shaken prestige and security of the British crown. The American people are most solemnly bound to make their voice heard in Washington regarding this most vital issue.

A.G.D.

'Everybody Is Busy,' Writes Father in USSR to Sons

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following letter, which depicts the enthusiastic life of the new Soviet Baltic Republics, was addressed to two brothers written by their father and the following is a translation from Russian.

"Six months ago we were liberated by our beloved

Red Army and we started to breathe freely. Now we are trying to catch up with the rest of the Soviet Union. All our acquaintances are very busy. Everybody is occupied in various commissions, meetings, studies, reports, seminars, courses, assignments. It is just too bad that the week is so short. When we come together at night, mother, Rose and I, each one of us relates his experiences and only then we go to sleep. Your mother will probably soon become a Hero of the Soviet Union or something similar. As far as I am concerned, I am a simple fellow: I also run around, I study and also teach others, still everything I do seems insufficient, I wish to do something great and be a useful member of our Great Union. On Jan. 12, we shall have elections to the Soviet of the Union and to the Soviet of the Nationalities. Of course we will elect the best sons and daughters, real fighters for Socialism and for a joyous, happy and rich life. If the enemy ever attacks, all of us as one will take arms and defend our homeland. We have something to defend and what to defend it with."

B.S.

Hopes Millions Find Solution To Economic Problem As She Did

Cincinnati, Ohio.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I have been reading the Sunday Worker for about six months, and find it, the only paper with guts enough to tell the truth about the workers' condition in this country.

I hope many millions who have gone through the same economic conditions that I have will be able to find the right way out as I have.

MRS. B.

Notes Movie Audience Cold to Famous Smile

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It is becoming harder every day for the people to get some decent entertainment. Every time I visit a neighborhood movie house I come out with a splitting headache. They show two films. Usually both are poor.

Well, last night, after months of absence, I went again. The newscast showed the inaugural celebration of the President. He mentioned the words, "Democracy and the Constitution" a few times. Not one person from the audience clapped his hands. The Kennedy's think that Mr. Roosevelt with his famous smile, will be able to drag the people into the slaughter. After last night's experience, I believe that he is going to have a tough time.

L.M.

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

THE "DROPS" THEORY OF HISTORY
 By PROF. HERMAN WITHERWITHE, Ph. D., A.E.F.
 (Written especially for the Hearse newspapers)

TO THE student of the "drops" theory of history, there is nothing mysterious about the latest suicide that has hit the headlines. I have long been convinced that the explanation of the confessions in the Moscow trials was to be found in Confession Drops, administered through a fountain-pen into the coffee of the defendant. From this I draw the conclusion that the recent suicide can be best accounted for by Suicide Time-Drops. The Suicide Time-Drop, as its name indicates, is not an ordinary type of drop. A delicately designed clock and calendar are attached to each drop. Before the drop is placed in the victim's glass, the mechanism is adjusted to the desired month, day, hour and minute. Then at the proper moment—and not until then—the victim proceeds to hire a room in a hotel (the name and location of which have been written down in a memorandum book also attached to the drop), locks himself in and carries out the deed.

As a result of my present researches, I also hope to be able to acquaint the public shortly with the solution to another baffling problem. Why, in view of the notorious weakness of the Red Army, did Hitler sign a non-aggression pact and take on the rest of the world rather than attack the Red Army as we had all advised him to do? I am convinced that the answer is to be found in what I choose to call Non-Aggression Drops. They were sprinkled liberally on Herr Hitler's wiener schnitzel and compelled him against his will to sign the pact just when practically every newspaper in America was advising him that the Soviet Union was crumbling from within.

"General" Krivitsky's friends are undoubtedly beside themselves with rage. "Did he have to lock himself in?" they are probably growling to one another. "Did he have to leave notes—and in his own handwriting? Did he have to make it so damned difficult for us to frame somebody?"

H.R. 1776

Lend your life; lease your soul—

Roosevelt is making empire his goal.

Lend your labor; lease your blood—

Merrily die in a field of mud.

Lend your children; lease your right—

Join the rotten imperialist fight.

Lend your brain; lease your mind—

Do they believe that we are blind?

We shall not lend!

We shall not lease!

We shall not relinquish our right to peace!

P. K.

FROM THESE THREE DELIVER US!

Prize poet of the week is an Englishman, one John Taylor, whose verse appeared in the Times the other day. Taylor happened to live in the seventeenth century but—doesn't prevent his poem from being up-to-the-minute. In some verses describing a trip in a small boat, Taylor wrote:

There is a proverb, and a prayer, withal,
 That we may not to three strange places fall
 From Hull, from Halifax, from Hell, 'tis thus
 From all these three, good Lord, deliver us!

The House amended H. R. 1776 so that nothing in the bill be construed to give the President power to use naval convoys. This means Attorney General Jackson would probably have to find some clause in the Sherman Anti-Trust Act giving the President authority to use convoys.

No matter how they amend the lend-lease bill, says Robert Brill, it will still be H. R. 1776.

Mussolini's war aim: To get his captured generals back.

CHANGE THE WORLD



When the People Fight for
Something That Is Their's
They Fight Like Lions

By MIKE GOLD

EVERY summer the swimmers on New York beaches must splash in tides covered with old potatoes, rotten fish heads, human offal, decaying rags, and other garbage that the barges of the "sanitation" department have dumped at sea.

The greatest city in the world, that has been rich enough to make so many Tammany millionaires, has never been able to "afford" a modern incinerating plant for its garbage. It is thrown back into the faces of the citizens, and if they don't like it, they can elect a LaGuardia, and see what happens.

Now it is winter. It is an ocean of blood and war into which the American nation is being urged for its swimming. And the surface of this sea is also covered with garbage—with all the bunk, hysteria, lies, propaganda, fear and foolish thinking that a capitalist war produces.

We will be up to our necks in this muck for a while, and it is as disgusting as the typhoid slime that is deposited on the shores of the Rockaways, Coney Island and Jersey during the summer.

It is hard for a commentator to favor any single item of decayed mental stuff in all this rotten richness. But at a venture, let us hold our noses a moment and examine some of the spoiled tripe that has appeared since the various shellackings of Mussolini's armies in Greece and Africa.

I defy anyone to show me a single thoughtful or careful analysis of the Italian defeats except in the Communist press. It is a symptom of how shallow are the "democratic" forces making the war that none of the newspaper-deck warriors has seen the implications of this wave or retreats.

"Italians can't fight! Italians are cowards!" This is the cheap and superficial yell that is universally heard, yipped with all the fervor of the Dixie yell at a lynching party.

If this howling pack could think and had any feeling for democracy or understanding of social forces they would know how to use such a situation for destroying Mussolini. But with their taunts they help him. They play into his hands with their cheap racism.

Italy produced a Julius Caesar. It produced a Garibaldi. Napoleon was a Corsican—an Italian. The Italians have fought bravely in the past. They will fight as heroically again. Just now, as in the last war, they are not fighting, if they can help it.

No people fights well when it is led by obvious swindlers, profiteers and traitors. The French have been a great martial people. But they fought as badly under Laval and Pétain as the Italians are fighting under Mussolini. There is no racial mystery about this. It is something with a social and political background.

At a certain moment in the last world war, the whole Russian line cracked. The Russian soldiers retreated in battle after battle, they mutilated and deserted. One heard some of the same racial stupidity in the Allied press to account for this. But Lenin and the Bolsheviks knew what it meant; Kerenky and his like didn't. The Russian people were fed up with the treachery, profligate and imperialism of the Czarist regime. They had lost faith in the senseless war.

When the Bolsheviks took power, there were a few Mensheviks among their own leadership who wanted the war continued. But Lenin said no; the Russian people were against it, he said. "They are deserting the trenches by the hundred-thousands every day," he said, "they are voting with their feet."

History proved that Lenin was right. The Russian deserters were not cowards; they took up the gun again to smash the White Guard armies financed by French and British capitalism, and to chase off Russian soil the soldiers of seventeen invading capitalist nations, including America.

When they had something that was theirs to fight for, they fought like lions. Every people is the same. The Italians are no different. We may be witnessing, in this Italian "voting by the feet," the first crack-up in the war and famine system called capitalism. Who knows?

All these racial commentators who taunt the Italian people possess no democratic instinct, or they would encourage this "voting by the feet" into a revolution against Mussolini. The Bolsheviks did not sooner at the mutineers and deserters in the White Guard and capitalist armies. They helped them. They understood them. They propagandized them. Part of their war-making technique was always to reach the people in the capitalist armies, over the heads of the masters. But maybe you need a democratic program to make such an appeal. All our war-makers have to say to the Italian people is this racial gibe, "Cowards!" Which is only another form of fascist garbage.

Alfred Wallenstein Leads Sinfonietta, WOR, at 9:30

"America Tells Its Stories" on American Music Festival from WNYC at 4 P.M. . . . Alfred Wallenstein's Sinfonietta on WOR at 9:30 P.M.

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Beethoven's "Fidelio Overture"
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• "Robeson of Rutgers"
• Was 12 Letter Star

By Bill Newton

Poking through some books the other day, I came across a batch of admiring information on an All-American end of 1917 that will probably interest many readers who remember that year mainly as the one in which the United States plunged into the first imperialist war.

That end now is one of the foremost opponents of present-day warmongers, and a great leader of his people.

In those days he was known as "Robeson of Rutgers." Just like that. Like "Frank Merriwell of Yale" or "Brown of Harvard," you associated the two names because Paul Robeson was pretty much the whole team at Brunswick, New Jersey.

Singlehanded, he led Rutgers to some great victories on the football field, and the newspapers were unusually appreciative of his skill. Once Robeson, all by himself, showed the way to a famous triumph over Navy's outstanding eleven. The writers called the 19-year-old 200-pounder the most valuable player of the year; he was All-American on everybody's team.

The beautifully built Negro youth had a flair for the dramatic. He did everything on the football field, won games spectacularly, and in so doing scored "deathless" victories not alone for "dear old Rutgers" but, even more important, over Jim-Crow as well.

Robeson was one of the greatest linebacks of all time. But not as well known is his prowess on the diamond, the basketball court and the track. Paul was a 12-letter man at Rutgers; he played catcher on the nine, center on the basketball team, and hurled the discus. He was always in training; like Bill King of LIU, he went from one sport to another.

One of Robeson's greatest feats came in his last year at college. It seems that Rutgers hadn't managed to overcome Princeton in baseball in a little matter of 50 years. Add to that the fact that Princeton was a Jim-Crow university, and that Robeson held many sour memories of its policy. What could be more fitting than that Robey should lead the Scarlet nine to a victory over Nassau? Not a thing—and that's just what Robeson did.

Paul's feats at Rutgers aided a lot in breaking down the Jim-Crow standards which are still all too widespread in American universities. The great singer and actor well knew what he was doing when he recently protested to NYU at its Jim-Crowing of Len Bates and Jim Coward. For Paul had to break down many barriers in his day. And it may interest Violet officials to know that many years ago, around Robeson's time, Harvard broke off football relations with Princeton altogether when the Tigers roughed up a Harvard Negro star, and that Dartmouth also protested strongly against Princeton's action. The Nassau university, remember, practiced Jim-Crow in its student body during the time that Woodrow Wilson was its president (a fitting commentary on Wilson's future policies in the Army when he became the nation's "war leader.") I dare say that Robeson hasn't forgotten that, either.

Robey's outstanding athletic record, one of the greatest ever made by any college athlete, Negro or white, is a proper answer to the Jim-Crow cowards who carry on today in the face of the overwhelming resentment of sports fans. Robeson... Pollard... Owens... Ward... King... Holland... Tolson... Louis... Armstrong... Wolscott... Paige... and many others, great Negro athletes, and on the side of the people, will be remembered long after the puny Jim-Crowers disappear. The story of America's Negro athletes is an integral part of our sports heritage.

Army Reserve Pilot Killed in Panama Zone

BALBOA, C. Z., Feb. 12 (UP).—One United States army reserve pilot was killed today, another was

missing and a third parachuted to safety in army plane crashes on the Pacific side of the Panama Canal Zone.

All of the planes were on routine practice flights from Albrook Field.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and Sunday Worker are 50¢ per line (10 words in a line—5 lines minimum).
DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday, 5 P.M. Friday.
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Striking Grooms Win Demands, May Unionize

Historic Santa Anita Walkout Ends in Restoration of Licenses for Dismissed 'Swipes'—Union May Be on Way

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ARCADIA, Calif., Feb. 12.—Fifteen hundred Santa Anita track grooms who went on strike last week when one of their number was unjustly dismissed are feeling their power today.

The grooms won restoration of licenses for five "swipes" who had been disqualified from the track by Chairman Jerry Geisler of the California Horse Racing Board.

The board was also forced by these grooms to cease suspending or revoking licenses without cause, and to make provisions for appeal to the commission in the event of adverse rulings by stewards.

The grooms, arbitrating with Geisler, agreed, however, not to strike again without first presenting grievances to the board.

Although this last point might seem at first glance a retreat by the grooms, it is actually anything but that.

When you remember that the strike, which closed down the wealthy track for a day, was the first of its kind, that the unorganized stablehands blazed into militancy almost overnight, and that by the nature of the agreement they're not ruling out future strikes, you can see the growth of solidarity and consciousness among the "swipes."

Fearsome owners and officials in California, in fact, aren't shunting their eyes to the next step on the grooms' program, which may well be permanent organization of a union.

Many grooms are well aware that forming a union is the only way in which they can protect the gains they won so spectacularly, and they also know that it is only through co-operation that they can obtain the other demands they've raised: guarantee of \$10 for a winner; the right to see the races from the grandstand; right for the grooms themselves to hold a trial on any "obnoxious" fellow workers whom track officials may want to dismiss.

How much stablehands are discriminated against by the Santa Anita track is indicated by the fact that riders and grooms are allowed at some other tracks to witness the races not merely from the stands, but from the rail in front of the paddocks and the judges' stand.

One of the factors that spurred the grooms to strike was a recent raise in pay earned by West Coast jockeys. This reflected part of the wave of militancy that's been slowly sweeping across America's tracks as a result of the formation of the Jockey's Guild. Miami Jockey Club riders recently won compensation for injuries, following the tragic death of Earl Dew, jockey champion. Organization of the riders had a lot to do with forcing the officials to grant the compensation.

COURT NOTES

Irish, CCNY Embark East, West Tonight; Rams Still Improving

Notre Dame, bearer of a nine-game winning streak and "hotter" than any team in the country right now, leaves South Bend today for tomorrow night's game with NYU, a traditional beginning to assume the significance in basketball of the Irish-Army game in football. NYU won the first of the seven-game series in 1934, and won last year. The in-between-five were taken by the Irish. Eddie Riska, who scored 17 points in the game last year, has recovered from an injured foot suffered at Syracuse and will start for the invaders.

Starting a little trip of their own tonight is CCNY, a "hot" ball club in its own right. The Beavers, boasting a 7-game win streak after three early losses, play Loyola at Chicago Friday night and Xavier in Cincinnati on Saturday. Loyola has beaten some good teams and is tough to take on its big Coliseum floor, but City has the stuff to take the two games.

Continuing its tremendous development, Fordham's four sophomore-one junior combine whaled Colgate 59-37 at the Ram gym Tuesday night. Colgate had lost by a point to mighty Georgetown and trimmed Syracuse in its last two starts, but the Rams ran 'em off the court. Fitzgerald led the scorers with 16. In the prelim, CCNY's JVs made it nine out of ten, beating the Ram frosh 40-47.

St. Francis, getting in its last lick before meeting Manhattan in the prelim at the Garden tomorrow night, beat Providence 38-31. Malfitano and Braginetz were back in their top shooting form, tallying 17 apiece.

Rhode Island State, a little tired after its 90-45 victory over Maine, could only dispose of New Hampshire by the margin of 72-31. In the Maine game Modjeski and Conley scored 28 and 27, respectively. I still would like to see CCNY play them, giving Nat Holman two weeks' warning to map his plans.



Hot LIU, Small Court Too Much for B'klyn '5

'We're Not That Much Better' Says Coach Bee After Surprising 64-47 Win Over Kingsmen—But Blackbirds Are Good Enough

By Lester Rodney

There aren't many, if any teams in the country that could have beaten LIU on its tiny home court Tuesday night. In fact few teams ever beat the Blackbirds there, only three

games over a period of years. That's why Brooklyn coach Muscant was so anxious to get the game out onto the larger Garden floor.

But he didn't, and the Kingsmen, conquerors of Fordham, Manhattan and St. Johns, went down to a crushing 64-47 defeat. As Clair Bee, the very outspoken coach of LIU admitted later, "We're not that much better than Brooklyn. They'd give us much more trouble on the Garden court. We were really hot to."

After Brooklyn had moved off to a 4-0 lead to the accompaniment of ear-splitting cheers from their side of the crowd of 1,000, the bigger LIU team moving and ran it to 16-4. Lebello was popping them in the familiar surroundings. Beenders was hustling and following up and that unerring sophomore marksman, Cohen, was plunging the hoop from near and far. Not to mention Sel Schwartz, who looped a few beauties, and Oms Scheetman, who, fast enough on the Garden floor, gives the appearance of a bullet in motion on the tiny Pharmacy court.

REALLY SMALL

If you've never been over that court, and perhaps think the "small" talk is overdone, let it be

Yanks, Giants May End Broadcasts

Feel Effects 'Harmful,' Ask Higher Fees of Sponsor—Broadcasts Popular With Fans Who Can't Always Make Games

FISTIC ROW

The rightful successor to Billy Conn as light-heavyweight champ will be determined by a New York State boxing commission elimination tournament, the fistic fathers have decided.

Fighters to take part in the tournament will include Tommy Tucker and Jimmy Webb, who will meet in the first contest in the Garden Feb. 21; and Anton Christoforidis (NBA titleholder) and Gus Lemeshevich, who'll square off in the same ring May 2.

The winners will meet in June.

Wild Bill McDowell may never have been knocked out, but that was before he ran into Tami Mauriello Tuesday night.

The promising Bronx middleweight kaped McDowell in the sixth round of the Coliseum's featured eight-rounder. Johnny Cealan outpointed Paul Klang in the semifinal.

Another promising middleweight contender, George Abrams, disposed of Irish Jimmy O'Boyle in even faster fashion than Mauriello did McDowell. A right to the chin finished O'Boyle in the third round at the Broadway Arena. Art Lind defeated Marty Marino in the semi.

Leading Scorers in Labor Leagues

LEAGUE A

Player	G.	O.	Total
Stewart, Purifiers	8	27	35
Spindell, Teachers	8	36	44
Mrochowski, Dept. Store	8	31	39
Nella, Dept. Store	8	22	30
Goldstein, Office Workers	8	26	34
Klein, Wholesale Wares	8	26	34
Klausner, Dept. Store	8	17	25
Hirsch, Purifiers	8	17	25
Miller, Dept. Store	8	16	24
Marcus, Teachers	8	16	24
Reiser, Dept. Store	8	13	21
Kucha, Office Wares	8	13	21

LEAGUE B

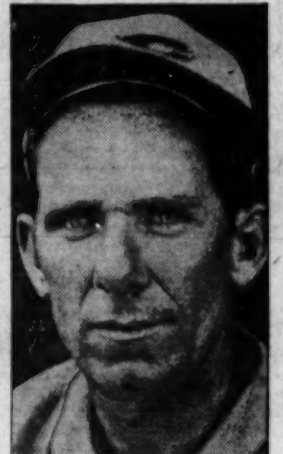
Player	G.	O.	Total
Sharenov, Photos	7	27	34
Goldman, Fur Merchants	8	24	32
Williams, IWO	7	26	33
Davidson, IWO	7	21	28
Braunstein, Floor Boys	8	23	31
Bayerle, Transport	8	19	27
Silverman, Fur Merchants	8	18	26
Berlin, Drug Clerk	8	18	26
Scott, Floor Boys	8	18	26
Duff, Drug Clerk	8	17	25
Pointing, Transport	8	16	24
Hrabovsky, Photos	8	13	21

The Yankees and Giants are said to be considering the abandonment of their radio broadcasts this season.

Some sources say that club officials believe that the broadcasts are costing them more in attendance than they're worth in receipts from the sponsors. Consequently, officials are said to be demanding higher fees for the broadcasting rights, and negotiations are stalled.

If the broadcasts are cancelled many fans will be up in arms. The possible loss of fan support by cutting off the broadcasts, in fact, may harm the New York clubs more than any receipts they might lose through fans staying away because of daily broadcasts. Many listeners who could not afford to go to the parks derived much enjoyment from tuning in the games.

RED ACE REPORTED GETTING CHUBBY

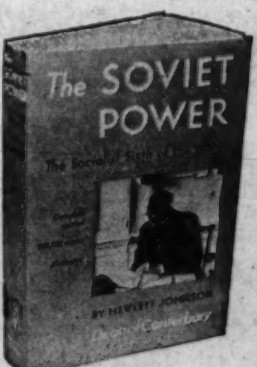


PAUL DERRINGER, veteran hurling star of the championship Cincinnati Reds, has taken on a bit of avoirdupois during the winter months, they say. A couple of weeks' running under the Florida Sun is in order.

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Stengel Serious—And Enthusiastic About Bees

Unlike Phils, B's Keep Stars They Develop, Says Casey

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 12 (UP).—Baseball's funny man plays straight when he talks about the Bees.

Mention that up-and-coming young team from Boston and Casey Stengel hangs his jester's hat on

the nearest peg and gets down to the serious business of convincing you his baseball club is going places in the National League this year.

"You can't laugh off the Bees anymore," Stengel said yesterday. "That day is past. There isn't a club in either league that has made the substantial progress that Bees have in the past five or six years. When Mr. Quinn went to Boston what did the Bees have? I'll tell you something that's hard to believe. They had 20 players. That's all. Now what do we have? Just 188 ballplayers, and they're all ours. Belong to us outright. So do four farm teams—Hartford, Evansville, York, and Bradford."

"We're going to be a good ball club. Listen, all we need is three more players," he said. "Give us a good hitting centerfielder, a good hitting catcher and another dependable pitcher, and that goes for anybody trouble, and that goes for the Reds, Dodgers, Cubs and Cards. And we may find the three we want, right in training camp at San Antonio this month and next. We found a raft of good ball players in Spring training last year."

"We're the youngest club in either league. We're on the way up. Our club averages 23 or 24 years in age. Three or four years ago the Bees had nothing to sell

but their franchise. Now we have half a million dollars worth of material in five or six players. Name me a team in the league that wouldn't like to have Sisti or Rowell or Ross or Miller or the young pitchers, Javery and Lammanna. Shucks, those are young guys, fast guys, guys with stuff and hustle. You can't help but like kids like that. I'm crazy about them myself, and the Boston fans are going for 'em."

Listening to Stengel talk, you couldn't help but feel that the Bees are building the right way. Without much money, they are developing their own young players, and what is more important, refusing to sell them down the river to richer clubs when they show class. Stengel admitted that tempting offers had been made for nearly all of the young Boston stars.

"But if we sold them," he explains "what would we have had to sell our fans? Nothing, and you can't expect a customer to support a team that admits it hasn't any hopes for the future by trading and selling the men who can eventually produce a first division team."

REDS TEAM TO BEAT
Stengel, who knows as much baseball as any manager in the business, sees nothing but the hottest sort of scramble in the Na-

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